THE WEATHER.

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SEVERE STORM ON ATLANTIC COAST

Another Lashes The Southern Coast of California

BARGES GIVEN UP AS LOST

Waves Twenty Feet High Drive in Bulkheads and Flood New Jersey Towns—Highest Tide on Record in California.

New York, Dec. 26.—Two men drowned in the East river and ten men—the crews of two barges wrecked on the New Jersey coast—given up as lsot, is the cost in human lives of the storm which swept over this city and vicinity early this morning.

At Seabrought, N. J., a fashionable summer resort, 20 miles south of here, most of the houses have either been wrecked or are under water. Several hotels and fine residences were among those undermined and badly damaged. Seventy families are homeless.

The damage to property is estimated at $1,000,000, most of it borne by Seabright and other points along the northern section of the New Jersey coast. Most of the property losses are due to bulkheads giving way under the onslaught of waves lashed into fury by a gale which at one time reached a velocity of 90 miles an hour.

The two three-masted barges whose crews have been given up as lost were in tow of the sea-going tug Edgard F. Luckenbach. While the storm was at its worst, the barges broke away and then drifted inshore midway between life saving stations 16 and 16, six miles south of Seaside Park, N. J. At 9:30 this morning only one of the masts of the barges was visible and on it was the form of a man. A little later both mast and man disappeared.

Heroic efforts on the part of the life saving crews have so far failed to reveal a single survivor of the wreck. The tug was reported safe in this port late tonight.

The two men drowned here were longshoremen whose boat was caught in the storm and swamped.

Seminole to Rescue.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Wireless advices to the revenue cutter office early today from the United States ship Seminole, reported the schooner Augusta W. Snow, Jacksonville to New York, safe and proceeding north. The Seminole left Wilmington, N. C. yesterday afternoon in response to a wireless message which stated that an unknown schooner, presumably the Snow, was in distress off Diamond Shoals.

Timely Rescue.

Key West, Fla., Dec. 26.—The story of a timely rescue at sea of eight members of the crew of the British barkentine Malwa, was recounted by Capt. J. W. Gould, one of the rescued men, when he arrived here today on the revenue cutter Miami. Capt. Gould and his men were taken aboard the Miami this morning from the British steamer Cestrian which on Christmas eve had rescued them from the rigging of their sinking vesel.

The Malwa, bound from Gulfport for Trinidad with a cargo of asphalt, encountered a severe storm in the gulf at noon Wednesday. Her foremast and a portion of her deck were carried away and she began to sink. The crey toward evening took to the rigging and by means of torches at last attracted the attention of the Cestrian. They were taken off in a sea that threatened to swamp the lifeboas of the rescue ship. The Malwa was abandoned.

Trail of Wreckage.

Seabright, N. J., Dec. 26.—The storm which raged along the northern New Jersey coast early today, left a trail of wreckage on the beach for miles. The heavy surf washed away houses, undermined streets and furrowed bulkheads.

The fishermen of Seabright were the worst sufferers. Many who lived in huts near the beach were homeless today. Men were at work shoreing up buildings which threatened to collapse upon weakened foundations. Railroad tracks were blocked by sand. Two hotels were undermined and all but washed away. No loss of life was reported.

Snow at Albany.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 26.—A heavy dry snow fell today in depths varying from five to 18 inches throughout this part of the State. In this city about five inches of snow fell, but the record mark was set in White Hall and 14 inches had fallen in Glens Fall by noon. Nine inches of snow was reported from Johnstown.

Electric and steam transportation lines suffered as a result. Northern cities reported many trains from one to two hours late. From White Hall came the story that the blizzard was the worst since the memorable storm of 1888.

Tide Above Normal.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 26.—Bulkheads were smashed, tons of lumber were washed up on the beach, and other damage was caused by a storm which raged here last night and today. The five miles of meadows between this city and the mainland resembled a turbulent sea all day. The tide was three feet above normal. Hail, snow and rain fell.

Deaths from Storm.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—Death, and considerable property damage, resulted from storms throughout Eastern Pennsylvania last night and today. Michael Clark, an almshouse inmate, and Dennis McFadden, a farmer, were frozen to death in snow drifts near Pottsville.

High winds, heeavy snow and low temperatures at Reading and Hazleton, seriously delayed trolley and railroad traffic.

Shamoken reported all coal mines

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PRESIDENT MAKES GOOD FIRE CHIEF

Wilson Discovered Fire and Instructs Fighters.

HANDSOMEST HOME ON COAST

Beautiful Home of Judge Neville Saved By Timely Assistance From President and His Escorts Who Extinguished Fire.

Pass Christian, Miss., Dec. 26.—President Wilson tonight found himself the hero of the gulfcoast. Word spread far and wide that the watchful eye of the chief executive had spied a blaze that threatened to destroy one of the handsomest homes on the Southern shore, and that he had acted the volunteer fire chief in a manner that long will be remembered in this region.

The President was returning from a quiet game of golf toward noon and on passing through Gulport, eight miles from here, saw a blaze on a roof of a big house. It was the home of Judge J. H. Neville, who won fame in 1891 by prosecuting John L. Sullivan for a prize fight at Richburg, Miss., with Jake Kilrain. Mrs. Neville, who was alone in the building, had run to the window to watch the President go by when suddenly two machines stopped and the President himself alighted. Quick as a flash he darted up the front steps, followed by his physician, Dr. Grayson, the secret service men and chauffeurs, who had unstrapped the fire extinguishers from their machines and awaited the President's orders. Mrs. Neville was confused.

"Don't be alarmed," said the President coolly, "your house is afire but these men will put it out quickly if you will show them the way to the attic."

Mrs. Neville pointed the way upstairs and Robinson and Fredericls the chauffeurs, broke a window and climbed out on the roof, while James Sloan and Jack Wheeler, the secret service guards, tore away the shingles and helped fight the flames. Mrs. Neville didn't know ho wto treat her unexpected, distinguished guest, who urged her to keep calm.

"Will you come into the parlor, "she asked.

Gets Bucket of Water.

"No thanks" replied the President, "but you might let me get a bucket of water. Mrs. Neville hastened to comply, but just then the fire fighters on the roof had descended with the report that little damage had been done and that the blaze was out.

"Well done" said the President, and the entire party left the house for the automobiles. The local fire department was just arriving with hook and ladder and other apparatus.

"The fire's over" announced the President, and added with a proud smile " My men just put it out."

Judge Neville and his son came running up at that moment and a big crowd collected. The Judge was profuse in his thanks and spoke appreciatively of the President's thoughtful concern for Mrs. Neville.

The President took no motor rige in the afternoon, resting after his exertion at golf. He enjoyed the change in the temperature and was enthusiastic about the links, which lie alcng the shore of the Gulf of Mexico and were warmed today by sunshine instead of being swept by chilly winds like those of Christmas day.

The President dictated a few letters and read scores of telegrams that poured in today as they have been for the last few days, congratulating him on the enactment of the currency bill. He took a nap during the afternoon and again spent the evening with his family.

M'GUIRE KEPT OFF OF STAND

Former Mayor of Syracuse Refused to Waive Immunity and Not Allowed to Testify.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Owen L. Kearney, formerly section superintendent of the State canal system, testified at the Osborne investigation into State Highway affairs today that he had received approximately $2,200 from canal workmen in contributions during the political campaign of 1912. These contributions represented assessments of about 5 per cent of their pay on all workmen within his territory for a period of five months.

W. C. Elmendorff, a foreman of canal shops, testified he received from another subordinate of Kearney, Harry Bogue, a list of the workmen and the amounts each had been assessed. These amounts were deducted from their pay.

Kearney attempted to explain that the assessments were made by an organization known as the Jefferson Club, but admitted that all employes, irrespective of political affiliations, were required to meet the assessments.

Of the funds so collected $914 went to Walter G. Robinson, the canal division superintendent, and the rest to two officers of the Jefferson Club. The witness' understanding was that the money paid to Robinson went to the Democratic State committee.

When James K. McGuire, former mayor of Syracuse, was called as witness, Commissioner Osborn produced a letter from District Attorney Whitman, of New York City, advising that McGuire not be permitted to testify unless he would waive immunity. The witness refused to do this on ground that he is under indictment.

REBEL OFFICERS ABOARD CRUISER

Party Claims Official Honors Were Given Them.

PITTSBURG WAS AT SAN BLAS

Acting Secretary of Navy Roosevelt States That Honors Were Not Accorded Constitutionalists But to Governor.

Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico, Dec. 26.—Constitutionalist officials of Sinaloa were accorded official honors when they visited the United States cruiser Pittsburg at San Blas, according to details of the visit related today when the party returned here.

The insurgent state officials had visited the Pittsburg upon request of Rear Admiral Cowles whom they had entertained at the State capitol at Culiacan. The insurgent version of the visit was that when Governor Riveros and General Iturbe boarded the Pittsburg they were received by a salute of 17 guns. The Mexican colors floated with the stars and stripes over the American ship of war. The visitors were entertained at luncheon and inspected the ship and crew.

This account of the visit produced much enthusiasm here.

Carranza Interested.

Hermosillo, Sonora, Dec. 26.—News of the reception of the Sinaloa Constitutional officers on the United States cruiser Pittsburg was received by Gen. Carranza and his advisers with an unusual show of interest.

The event was considered by officials here to be the best proof yet offered of the good feeling of the government toward the revolutionary party of Mexico.

Washington Explains.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Honors accorded Governor Riveros and his party by Rear Admiral Cowles on board the cruiser Pittsburg, were in recognition of the legally elected officials of the State of Sinaloa and not of members of the Constitutionalist forces opposing the Huerta government in Mexico.

As the duly elected governor, Mr. Riveros was entitled to a salute of 17 guns," said Franklin D. Roosevelt, Acting Secretary of the Navy, tonight. "But," he added, "in no sense of the word were the Mexican officials received as representatives of the Constitutional faction."

Mr. Roosevelt explained that Rear Admiral Cowles had previous to the visit of the governor and his party to the Pittsburg, paid formal courtesy

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BOTH SIDES RESTED

In Schmidt Murder Case Late Yesterday Afternoon.

Experts for State Declare That Ex-Priest is Shamming Insanity—His Mind Works Rapidly, but Not Disorderly, Says One.

New York, Dec. 26.—Prosecution and defense rested late this afternoon in the case of Hans Schmidt, accused of the murder of Anna Aumuller. Argument will begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Each side will be given 90 minutes to sum up.

Four alienists called by the State today testified that in their opinions Schmidt has been shamming insanity.

Dr. Carlos McDonald testified that on September 24th the accused expriest had told him:

"I did it. I am willing for the law to take its course, and you can have my body." Dr. McDonald gave it as his opinion that Schmidt had shammed insanity much more cleverly than an ignorant person could have done.

Dr. George H. Kirby said he had found the prisoner's mind to be working rapidly, but that it had given no indications of abnormality. He doubted the truth of Schmidt's assertions that he had visions.

That the accused had answered all questions readily and connectedly when he examined him, was the testimnoy given by Dr. Allen R. Dieffendorf. According to this expert, Schmidt is sane. Dr. William Mabon testified similarly.

RESTITUUTION SUITS BROUGHT.

Against Directors of 'Frisco Road by Receivers.

St. Louis, Dec. 26.—Receivers of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad today were directed by Circuit Judge Sanborn, in the United States district court, to bring restitution suits against present and former directors of the railroad.

The court's order is qualified only by the proviso that suits shall be brought if the special counsel appointed today believe that they can be successfully maintained. That the special counsel will be convinced that such suits would be successful is generally agreed.

The suits are to be based on the sale of the 'Frisco of feeder lines that were promoted by syndicates of which certain 'Frisco officials were members.

A recent departure is the Home club in New York city, for the benefit of servants, who may board there if they are members, during the time they are unemployed, for $2 a week.

ALL NON-UNION AID IS BEING REFUSED

Calumet Citizens Have Trouble Disposing of Money

MINERS REJECT ALL OFFERS

Grief Stricken Families Prefer to Suffer Rather Than Accept Money From Opposition of Western Federation.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 26.—Charls H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, was put on a train and sent out of the copper strike district tonight. The deportation was the direct result of refusal of families stricken by the Christmas eve disaster here to acept relief from a committee, the majority of whose members belonged to the Citizens' Alliance, an organization combating the five months' strike of the Federation.

It was stated to the relief committee that the Federation had forbidden its members to accept any portion of the $25,000 raised for relief of the panic victims. A section of the committee thereupon was delegated to confer with Moyer.

The sesion, held at a hotel in Hancock, was warm. The citizens alliance men told the Union executive that his attitude was "against all dictates of humanity." They demanded that he retract statements attribued to him, saying that the cry of "fire" which started the panic was raised by a member of the alliance.

Moyer, it was said, refused to make retraction. A short time later he and John Tanner, of California, an organizer for the Federation, wire observed on a street car going from Hancock to Houghton.

Moyer Leaves Town.

Just across the bridge connecting the two towns is the depot of the copper range railroad. There it was noted that Moyer and Tanner boarded a train bound for Chicago. They were accompanied by three men who seemed to be guarding them, although

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"Negro Toe" For The President

Sent by Raleigh Methodist Orphans Who Receive Gifts From Mr. Daniels.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 26.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels for himself and four boys today presented Christmas gifts to all the children of the Methodist Orphanage here, an institution in which he takes great interest. This has been his custom for years.

As an incident President Wilson is to receive a big "nigger toe" or Brazilian nut from the orphans. They wrote to him and asked that he let Secretary Daniels visit them Christmas, that if he did they would send a big "nigger toe." He wrote back that he would, and the "nigger toe" from the orphans goes back with Secretary Daniels.

ORANGEBURG COUNTY GINNED MOST COTTON

Led South Carolina Counties With 74,493 Bales.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 26.—Orangeburg county, with 74,493 bales, led all counties of the state in the amount of cotton ginned prior to December 13, according to the corrected totals just announced by the bureau of the census

The preliminary totals for the state was made public by the bureau of the census at 10 A. M. Saturday, December 20.

OUTLINES

In welcoming De La Barra, the Mexican envoy to Japan people of the latter nation severly criticised the United States and much feeling was shown at an open air mass meeting.

Both sides in the Schmidt murder trial in New York have rested. Argument will be started today.

McGuire, former mayor of Syracuse, N. Y., was not allowed to testify at the John Doe proceedings in New York after being called.

State Senator Hobbs, of Mississippi, on trial for receiving a bribe, denied on the stand that he had confessed to Governor Earl Brewer and that when the Governor made that statement under oath he swore to a falsehood.

President Wilson while motoring by one of the handsomest residences on the gulfcoast discovered that the building was on fire. He and his two mechanics and secret service men put out the flame before the local fire department reached the scene.

Those stricken by the disaster at Calumet, Mich., have refused all aid coming from any source than a Union. Citizens of the town have raised $25,000 but can not give it away.

Severe storms have prevailed on both the Pacific and Atlantic oceans for the past two days. Record hign tides and monsterous waves have done much damage along the coasts.

New York markets; Spot cotton quiet middling uplands 12.60; gulf 12.85, no sales. Money on call firm 3 to 4, ruling rate 4, closing 3 to 3 1-4. Time loans weaker. Wheat firm, No. 2 red 99 1-2 to 101; No. 1 Northern Duluth 99. Corn easy 72 3-4. Rosin quiet. Turpentine quiet.

TO INVESTIGATE VERMONT TROUBLE

What Caused Shaft on Big Battleship to Break?

TO TEST REMAINING SHAFT

Effort Will be Made to Prevent Accidents of Like Manner on Other Members of Uncle Sam's Navy.

Washington, Dec. 26.—With the broken shaft of the battleship Vermont as an object lesson the naval board of inspection and survey is going to the Norfolk navy yard in a few days to begin an exhaustive inquiry into the causes for the breaking of the great main shafting of the two great propeller shafts of the Vermont snapped while the battleship was breasting a storm in mid-ocean two weeks ago, returning from the Mediterranean to Jampton Roads. The vessel was kept under way with the remaining propeller until assistance summoned by wireless arrived, and therefore never was in the extreme peril that would have followed had all shafts broken.

A few years ago there was a regular epidmic of break-downs of this character among American navy vessels and while temporary expedients were adopted, mainly in the direction of enlarging the size of the shafting, it has remained a mystery in engineering circles just why a shaft should break when it had been given an ample margin of strength above all foreseen strains. That the steel "gets tired" under the constant vigration of a long cruise at 12 knots speed is the opinion of most engineers but what the naval board intends to find out if possible is some means of detecting this deterioration before the metal actually reaches the breaking point.

Microscopic Examination.

The inspection board, which is headed by Captain Henry B. Wilson will make a microscopic examination of the metal in the broken shaft of the Vermont and later this will be the subject of some special studies by the engineering classes at Annapolis. The starboard shaft of the Vermont, which was unbroken, will be removed and subjected to tests to ascertain if it was weakened in any degree.

Simultanously careful measurements will be taken of the bearings of the long line of shafting to make sure

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REPRIMAND OFFICER

Military Attache at St. Petersburg Disobeyed Orders.

Allowed His Health to Come Before Duty—Sailed for America in Face of Order to Remain at His Post.

New York, Dec. 26.—Major Charles B. Hagadorn, military attache of the American embassy in St. Petersburg, was found guilty by court martial today of disobeying orders and sentenced to a mild reprimand. Major Hagadorn was tried for "wilfully" disobeying the command of the President of the United States to remain at St. Petersburg until further orders. The court amended the charge to read: "Had failed to obey" and of this offense found him guilty.

Major Hagadorn was one of the first officers appointed to the foreign service by President Wilson. After a month in St. Petersburg his health began to fail and about six weeks ago he cabled for permission to return to the United States. Permission was granted, but as the officer was about to board his train he received another order to stay in St. Petersburg and make his application for release through the embassy—provided he had not "already started."

Major Hagadorn, who was greatly worried by his physical condition, decided that to all intents and purposes he had started for home and three weeks later reported at the War Department in Washington.

Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Barry, commanding the Department of the East, presided at the court martial and wrote the following reprimand:

"It is difficult to understand how an officer of Major Hagadorn's length of service could fail to fully appreciate the exact meaning of the instructions to remain at St. Petersburg unless he had started, and as said instructions were received by him before he actually started, the only explanation of his action seems to be his illness as set forth by the evidence. The fact that Major Hagadorn has been brought to trial and the incident publicity of the offenses with which he is charged is deemed a sufficient reprimand and it is hoped it may have the effect of causing him in the future to strictly comply without evasion at any time with orders of his superiors, such absolute and strict obedience being, as he well knows, the first duty of a soldier."

Major Hagadorn's family home is in Binghampton, N. Y. He entered West Point in 1885. It is understood that he will be ordered to rejoin his old regiment, the 23rd infantry, in Texas City.

JAPS CRITICISE UNITED STATES

Expression of Public Sentiment at Mass Meeting.

WELCOME TO DE LA BARRA

Prominent Men Speak at Meeting Given in Honor of Mexican—De la Barra Leads Cheers for Japan and Emperor.

Tokio, Dec. 26.—Criticism of the United States for discriminating against Japanese and disapproval of the prospective participation of Japanese in the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco, were expressed in resolutions adopted at a mass meeting of citizens before the Imperial Palace here today. The meeting attended a so-called "National welcome" to Francisco De la Barra, special envoy from Mexico. Senor De la Barra is here officially to thank Japan for her participation in the Mexican centennial.

The mass meeting at the palace was attended by several thousand people who previously had marched through the city in a procession calculated to demonstrate the nation's appreciation of the visit of the Mexican envoy. The procession formed in the city park, where speeches were delivered by prominent men. This was followed by a brilliant display of fireworks and numerous bonfires.

The procession then proceeded to the hotel, where Senor De la Barra is staying. After the crowd had serenaded the visitor, a committee of members of Parliament and other popular leaders mounted the balcony, where De la Barra greeted them amid prolonged cheering.

The committee presented to the visitor a sword and other gifts, which he acknowledged briefly, and then called for cheers for the Emperor and the Japanese nation.

The procession afterward marched to the Mexican legation, and then to the Imperial palace. After the mass meeting there, it disbanded.

At a dinner given tonight by the merchants of Tokio in honor of Senor De LaBarra, Baron Makino, the foreign minister, in a speech favored the strengthening of trade between Japan and Mexico.

The opposition press is attacking the foreign office for alleged timidity in the reception of Senor De Yabarra, declaring it fears any enthusiasm shown for the Mexican would cause resentment in the United States.

Reception Unofficial.

Washington, Dec. 26.—It is understood by officials here that the elaborate reception accorded to Senor De la Barra by the populace of Tokio was particularly designed to express the dissent of one of the Japanese political factions from the official reception planned by the government.

In his capacity of special envoy from Mexico, diplomatic etiquette provides for certain formal social functions in honor of Senor De la Barra. The Japanese government, it was explained here today, had adhered strictly to the regular court ceremonial. A faction opposed to the government, however, arranged a reception of its own, including a torchlight procession, speech making and sword presentation.

Tuxedo Park, N. Y., Dec. 26.—The first court tennis tournament for the new national challenge cup presented by the Tuxedo Tennis and racquet club will begin here tomorrow. Some of the best amateurs in the country are entered for the trophy, which takes the place of the gold racquet, now the possession of Jay Gould, after a series of victories.

DENIES BREWER'S TESTIMONY

State Senator Being Tried for Accepting Bribe Says Governor Swore Falsely.

Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 26.—State Senator G. A. Hobbs, testifying at his trial on charges of receiving and soliciting bribes, denied today that he ever received money from Stephen Castleman, as the prosecution charges. He said that he met Castleman a number of times and bribery was discussed but they never had exchanged money. He maintained that he led Castleman on because he wanted to catch him in a bribery plot.

Hobbs testified that Mayor S. J. Taylor, of Jackson, Miss., and State Senator A. W. Bond knew of the alleged plot to catch Castleman. Taylor and Bond earlier in the day had testified to much the same effect Taylor saying that he had discouraged prosecution of Castleman because the evidence seemed insufficient.

In explaining the meeting between himself and Governor Brewer at which time Governor Brewer said he confessed that he was guilty of bribery, Hobbs said that he made no confessions. He swore that Governor Brewer told hom that he would send him to the pentitentiary if he did not implicate Lieutnant Governor Bilbo. Bilbo is jointly indicted with Hobbs. He said Governor Brewer told him he would pardon him if convicted provided he would testify against Bilbo. This Hobbs said he refused to do.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 26.—Forty-one riders from various cities throughout the country are entered in the 300-mile motor cycle race here tomorrow. The race will start at 11 o'clock.

ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR NEW SYSTEM

Organization Committee Mark Reserve Boundaries

ARE TO VISIT MANY CITIES

Reserve Banks to be Located at the Most Logical Point in the District, Regardless of Other Considerations.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The organization committee which is to launch the new Federal reserve banking system tonight announced its plan for marking out boundaries of reserve districts and the selection of reserve cities. Public hearings wil be held in 14 large cities—New York, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, Seattle, Portland, Ore.; San Francisco, Los Angeles, Houston, New Orleans, Atlanta, Cincinnati and Cleveland.

Although these cities are the only ones to be visited, the advantages of many others will be considered, and bankers and others interested in cities not named in its list will be heard. The two cabinet officers composing the committee will spend practically all of the next two months in this work. They expect to conclude their labors about the end of the period allowed National banks to announce their intention of becoming members of the system.

Secretary McAdoo left his office today, suffering from a slight fever, and the other committeeman, Secretary Houston, decided to abandon the task until Mr. McAdoo's recovery. It was said the hard work Mr. McAdoo did to aid in perfecting the currency law has told upon him. His illness is not believed to be serious, but he is not expected to return to his desk for several days.

A statement from the committee today said: "The committee has decided to forward immediately to every National and State bank and trust company a copy of the Federal reserve act, together with the form of application for membership in the Federal reserve system.

Under the provisions of the act all National banks are required to signify their acceptance of its terms and provisions on or before February 12th, 1914, and all eligible State banks and trust companies are permitted to signify their acceptance within the same time.

Hearings to be Held.

"It was determined that the organization committee will have hearings in various other important cities for the purpose of gathering the views of bankers and business men as to the division of the country into Federal reserve districts and the location in each district of the head office of the Federal reserve banks.

"It will not be possible for the committee to hold sessions in any other cities, but ample opportunity will be given for representatives of various sections of the country contiguous to these cities to appear before the committee and present their views. It must not be inferred that the committee has determined upon any one of these cities as a location for the Federal reserve banks; they have been chosen as places for holding sessions of the committee solely because of their accessibility and convenience.

"The committee wil sit at the custom house in New York on January 2nd and 3rd, in Boston on January 5th and 6th; and return to New York for additional sessions January 8th and 9th. The committee will sit in Washington from January 12th to 17th; in Chicago, January 19th, 20th and 21st; St. Louis, January 22, 23 and 24; Denver, January 26th. Hearings for other cities will be held between January 28th and March 1st.

Bring Out Certain Points.

"The committee desires to be informed particularly upon the following points which are considered primary factors in determining the boundaries of the proposed districts and the location of the Federal reserve banks:

1. Geographical convenience, which involves transportation facilities and rapid and easy communication with all parts of the district.

2. Industrial and commercial development and needs of each section which involves consideration of the general movement of commodities and of business transactions within the districts and the transfer of funds and exchanges of credits arising therefrom.

3. The established custom and trend of business as developed by the present system of bank reserves and checking accounts. In laying out the districts and establishing the headquarters for reserve banks every effort will be made to promote business convenience and normal movements of trade and commerce.

Political considerations will not be permitted to influence the committee in determining these important questions. While the committee appreciates local pride and sentiment which are prompting many cities to urge their claims, the committee nevertheless must appeal to the patriotism of the country to assist it in arriving at a sound conclusion through consideration of fundamental and vital factors. Purely local sentiment and pride must yield to the common good in order that the system may accomplish the purposes for which it was designed, namely, to secure to the business of the country the elastic system of credits and the stability of conditions so long imperatively demanded.

Consider Merits Only.

"The committee will not, therefore, be able to receive delegations urging the claims of particular cities for preference as the headquarters of the reserve banks. The claims of all cities wil be considered upon the merits in view of all the facts which will be developed through the investigations.

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LAUNCHES SUNK IN RIVER

Three Barges Broke Loose From Moorings at Eagle's Island. Boat Raised.

Two launches, the Standard and the Scuppernong, were sunk in the harbor, the launch Heart Saver badly damaged and three barges broken loose from their moorings at Eagle's Island in the high wind that blew almost with the velocity of a gale Thursday night. The damage done will probably amount to $1,000. Several other craft in the river had a narrow escape from serious injury by the barges that were adrift, and also from the high winds.

The three barges, two of which belonged to the Hammer Lumber Company and the third one to the Hall Towing Company, were anchored at Eagle's island at the Marine Railway. The high winds and the high flood tide caused them to break away from their moorings.

The wind was blowing from the west and blew them across the river. The launch Standard which is owned by the Bower's Southern Dredging Company, was anchored at the wharf of Stone & Co., and the barges crashed into the boat sinking her.

The tide was coming in and caused them to float up the river as far as Springer's coal yard near the foot of Grace street. Two launches, the Scuppernong and the Heart Saver, owned by Maffitt & Wood, were anchored at the foot of Princess street. The Scuppernong was sunk, and the Heart Saver cast adrift and only saved from serious injoury from the barges by faithful work on the part of the crew of the Louis F, a fruit steamer.

It was at first supposed that the high winds caused the launches to be unfastened from their moorings though later information tended to show that it was the barges which had broken loose and that they caused the launches to be sunk. The crew of the fruit steamer stated that they only saved their vessel from serious damage from the drifting barges by using fenders to keep them from crashing into the vessel.

The Standard was raised yesterday about noon and taken to the Wilmington Marine Railway for repairs. The Scuppernong had not been located last night and it is not known where the boat was sunk. The damage to the Standard is estimated at $250 while the loss of the Scuppernong and the damage to the Heart Saver will probably amount to $600 or $77.

DANIELS FOR GIFT REFORM

Secretary Says the Christmas Habit Breeds Tinge of Sordidness.

(Secretary Daniels, in Leslie's Weekly)

The old-time joy of Christmas morning in too many homes is tinged with apprehension, as the packages with the holly-bordered addresses begin to come in, for fear that somebody who remembers me will have been forgotten by me. And simply suppose the extra supply of presents that I have purchased in case of emergencies should be exhausted before I can rush, by special messenger, a gift to Estelle or Gladys or Algernon, who have remembered me! We need to reform this tendency of our times — and to eliminate this dread, this sordidness, this swapping of gifts from Christmas.

Full stockings and blazing Christmas trees for the little folks; a good dinner and warmth and work for the poor and the unemployed; and an exchange of Christmas cards, with some simple, heartfelt sentiment between grown-ups. This is the ideal way, not forgetting, of course, to ask the parson and other friends to help us eat our turkey dinner and plum pudding. Against the commercialized Christmas let the spirit of Christmas past plead with the spirit of Christmas present in the interest of Christmas future. Let us all pray with Tiny Tim Cratchit—representative of childhood or poverty, or both, and they are the rightful heirs of Christmas—"God bless us, every one."

TINKER IS UNRULY.

Famous Shortstop is Now Dickering With Federal League.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Joe Tinker, former manager of the Cincinnati team, and President Gilmore, of the Federal League, conferred today with reference to bringing Tinker into the new league. According to Tinker the conference was without result. They agreed to continue negotiations tomorrow or Monday.

Tinker refused to confirm of deny the report that he had been offered $36,000 for three years in the Federal League. In discussing the affair, however, he remarked that he could not make that much money in three years in the National League. "There is money behind this Federal League," Tinker said, "and the proposition they made me is a good one. I know I can make more money than if I stayed in organized baseball. They have offered me some stock, on which I now have an option, and if arrangements can be made, I will take it the same as Chance did his. He was given ten shares and paid for it out of his dividends."

If Tinker signs with the Federals he may be enjoined by Charles Ebbetts, of Brooklyn, according to Chas. W. Murphy, president of the Chicago club.

POSTAL EFFICIENCY.

Burleson Issues Statement Regarding Christmas Mail.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Telegraphic reports to the Postoffice Department today from the principal offices throughout the country showed that the Christmas mail deliveries practically had been completed and normal conditions restored in the service.

Postmaster General Burleson issued a statement tonight saying:

"The successful handling of the bulk of mail during the holiday period fully demonstrates the effectiveness of the postal service, not only in coping with present conditions as they affect the parcel post, but also in its capacity to meet further demands as they arise in connection with the great development of the service, as well as any other which the department may be required to perform in order to meet the increasing demands of the public."

Approximately 37,000 emergency men were employed by the department to work the holiday mails. The railway mail service, usually operated by 18,000 men, was increased to 32,000 and the clerical force was increased from 65,000 to 88,000 men.

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GOT HIS WIFE BY PURCHASE.

Recent Transaction in England Gives Rise to Some Caustic Remarks By Eastern Editor.

We are all in agreement upon the general principle that however much a man may want a wife he ought not to buy one. But at the same time we do hear sometimes of the frank and unashamed purchase of a wife. Take, for instance, a certain divorce case that has been heard recently in England and that was described by the judge as an instance of wife-buying, which it certainly was. Mr. Morand asked for a divorce from his wife on the ground that the lady had given the most unmistakable proofs of her preference for a multimillionaire named Captain Morrison. In a way it was a friendly suit, since Captain Morrison was willing to pay $27,500 damages and Morand was willing to receive that sum. They were both in agreement as to the value of the lady, and the judge concurring, the divorce was granted and the transaction completed.

Of course, the story is a rather disgusting one, but we are disgusted not because Captain Morrison bought a woman, but because he bought a woman who was already a wife. There is nothing remarkable about the purchase of a woman, since it is done every day. Sometimes it is the man who offers to sell. The various associations of young women who have recently announced that they will marry no man with an income of less than $5,000 a year have virtully stated that $5,000 a year is the lowest price at which they will sell themselves.—Pennsylvania Grit.

CROPS IN JAPAN ARE SMALL.

American Farmers Could Not Live On Such Scanty Returns for His Seed and Work.

Japan is such a mountainous country that the area of arable land is quite disproportionate to the size of the whole empire. It is alleged that barely 12 per cent of the entire surface can be cultivated, and that even the cultivable part is not naturally very fertile. Still there are large tracts of wild moorland which might easily be brought under cultivation, or at least be converted into grazing lands.

Where the farmer lives and labors there are abundant evidences of his diligence and self-sacrifice. Doubtless the major part of the farming land is lean soil. Still the judicious use of fertilizers—mostly night soil applied in small quantities direct to the growing plant; the elaborate and skilful system of irrigation that gets full value from every drop of water; the laborious subsoil working—by hand in the soft ooze of the rice fields—and the incisive weeding out to produce better results in quantity than they do. When the harvest is measured by bushels of rice, or wheat, or barley or whatever else the hyakusho (farmer) may raise, the thorough husbandman of Europe or America would laugh at the scanty crop. Land that ought to yield at least twenty-five to thirty bushels of rice to the acre actually gives less than ten on the average.—From "Our Neighbors: the Japannese," by Joseph King Goodrich.

Procrastination Day.

"Do it now" is a fine rule, but living up to it is hard. However, all problems have their solutions, and one busy women in a growing suburb, in which many demands are made on her time, puts aside one day a month, a settled day, for doing all the things which she has put off for the things which had to be done "now." She says this day a month enables her to catch up with a number of postponed duties, and she has grown to consider it as such a remedy for procrastination that it is set apart almost religiously, and no engagement outside is allowed to conflict it. She says she works from morning to night, but as she writes down during the preceding weeks what is to be done on that particular day, the work proceeds without many drawbacks.

Never at a Loss.

The Earl of Morley, on his return from Jamaica, remained a while in New York, and at a dinner there he told, apropos of self-confidence, a story about a young English statesman.

"This youth," Lord Morley said, "ought to get on. He works hard and nothing ever feazes him.

"He wanted recently to push a bill that had little support from his own party. A friend, however, said to him in a warning voice:

"'But suppose, my boy, this bill should cause your party to throw you overboard?'

"'Well, in that case, old chap,' he replied, 'I'm quite sure I'd have strength enough to swim across to the other side.'"

Worthy Scottish Emblem.

The Order of the Thistle, of which Lord Haldane, lord high chancellor of Great Britain, is to be made a knight, dates only from the last of 1703. Centuries earlier, however, the thistle was the national badge of Scotland, and the origin of its emblematic use is ascribed by tradition to the Danish invasion of Scotland. The invaders planned a night attack, and, marching barefoot, had contrived to creep close up to the Scottish forces unobserved, when one of them stepped on a thistle and uttered a cry of pain. The alarm was given, and the attack failed. Out of gratitude the thistle was adopted as the insignia of Scotland.

A leather belt in an English factory has been running at a speed of 1,800 feet a minute from nine to twelve hours a day for more than thirty-two years.

LETS ANXIOUS WORLD WAIT

Arkansas Man, in Point of Meanness, is Declared to Be Absolutely in Class by Himself.

"Children, the meanest man in the world lives in Arkansas," writes Tom P. Morgan. "He has a tall and bulging forehead and knows why floods come and tornadoes devastate, how to stay pure and wholesome on a wage of sixty-six cents a day, what causes the Aurora Borealis, how to prevent thugs from thugging, what is the plural of measles, how to gag and hog-tie a mother-in-law in a gentlemanly manner, whether Sackville McKnutt is as smart as he is cracked up to be, how to take politics out of a policeman without injuring the fabric, and many, many other things equally important, including why the parents of Humorist Iden named him Jay B., when they could just as well have soaked him for life with Isaac I. Iden and thus have given the waiting world a perpetual treat. And, yet, although this mean man is able to write with perfect ease and the most convincing clarity, he is so unutterably low-down selfish that he refuses to write any 'open letters' to the newspapers and thus extinguish forever some of the burning questions that are worrying the life out of the rest of us. Tell me, children, is he not meaner than the meanest pussley?"—Kansas City Star.

ODD VAGARIES OF LANGUAGE

Various Nations Have Different Idioms in Which They Express the Same Meanings.

The following are a few linguistic whimsicalities: The Germans call a thimble a "finger hat," which it certainly is, and a grasshopper a "hay horse." A glove with them is a "hand-shoe," showing evidently that they wore shoes before gloves. Poultry is "feather cattle," whilst the names for the well-known substances oxygen and hydrogen are in their language "sour stuff" and "water stuff." The French, strange to say, have no verb "to stand," nor can a Frenchman speak of "kicking" anyone. The nearest approach a Frenchman makes to it in his politeness is to threaten to "give a blow with his foot"—the same thing to the recipient in either case, but it seems to want the directness, the energy, of our "kick." Neither has he any word for "baby," or for "home," or "comfort." The terms "upstairs" and "downstairs" are also unknown in French The Hindus are said to have no word for "friend." The Italians have no equivalent for "humility."

Fish Die From Seasickness.

Fish become ill and die from seasickness when carried long distances upon the ocean. For that reason many rare and interesting specimens captured in tropical countries cannot be brought alive to this country.

In a recent shipment of 400 fish more than 100 died on the way, and the remainder arrived in a condition that required heroic treatment to save their lives.

According to this it may be presumed that the agony endured by humans when the ship begins to pitch and roll is as nothing compared with the same sufferings of tank-inclosed fish.

As a precaution the fish are practically starved for at least one day before being taken on board. The galvanized iron tanks, in which the fish are carried, contain from ten to fifty gallons of sea water kept at a constant temperature of about 68 degrees by steam from the ship's boilers during the trip.

Once Revolutionary.

The latest instance of a general enforcement of laws concerning dress occurred at the time of the French Revolution, when some rulers of German states forbade their subject to wear trousers, these being held to indicate revolutionary opinions. The Elector of Hesse-Cassel, besides prohibiting the obnoxious garments, had the convicts employed on road-sweeping dressed in trousers, so as to inspire disgust for sansculotte fashions. No general prohibition of this kind was issued in Prussia, but until 1798 all Prussian officials were restricted to knee breeches for their nether garments. Trousers were held to be "unbecoming to the dignity and gravity of the holder of an official position."

Ingenious Spiders.

The Royal society in London was recently entertained by a distinguished traveler with an account of a spider living in Australia which makes its habitation along the seashore, in the crevices of the rocks, between high and low water mark.

But when the tide is in their homes are covered with water. Instead of deserting them, however, the spiders solve the difficulty by means of closely woven sheets of silk, which they stretch over the entrances, behind which they manage to retain sufficient air to keep them alive during the time they remain submerged.—The Sunday Magazine.

Computes Heat in Sun's Rays.

One square yard of the earth's surface receives each day averaging six hours of sunshine an amount of heat equal to that contained in 1.8 pounds of coal, according to an Italian chemist.

At this rate an area of about 1,200 miles receives during a year an amount of energy from the sun equivalent to that obtainable from the 1,100,000,000 tons of coal mined annually in Europe and the United States.

It is certainly a lot of comfort to an old maid to remember that Naomi, the daughter of Enoch, was 580 years old when she married — Cincinnati Enquirer.

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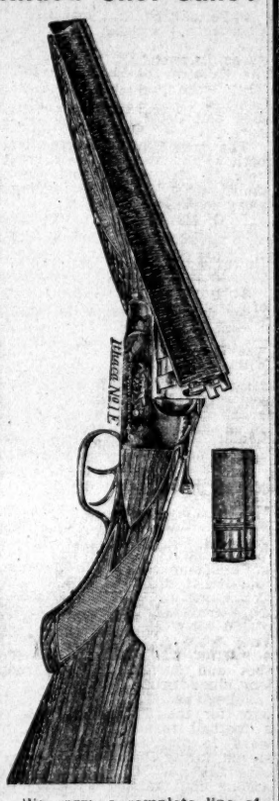

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This 5th day of December, A. D. 1913.
W. N. HARRISS.
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FOURTH IN NORTH CAROLINA

Durham Bank Applies to Enter New System Under Their New Law. Notes of Washington.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—The First National Bank of Durham today made application to enter the new banking system as provided by the new law. This is the fourth bank from the State to apply for admission.

Visiting in Washington.

Charles D. and Larry Cunningham and Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, of Greensboro, are spending a few days in Washington as the guests of Col. and Mrs. W. H. Osborn. Miss Elizabeth will remain in Washington for the Winter and attend Friends' School.

Visiting in Carolina.

Dr. and Mrs. Wade H. Atkinson left today for Selma, Raleigh and Smithfield, to visit relatives. Dr. Atkinson is a former Johnston county man and is one of the most prominent physicians in Washington. R. R. A.

MRS. ELLA FLAGG YOUNG RESTING AT TRYON, N. C.

While Fight Over Her Office In Chicago is Waged.

Hendersonville, N. C., Dec. 26.—While the fight over the question of her retirement as superintendent of the public schools of Chicago is being waged, Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, the woman educator of nation-wide renown, is quietly resting at Tryon, a small town a few miles south of here, in Polk county, on the Asheville-Spartanburg line of the Southern Railway.

A storm of protest, in which the women of Chicago took a conspicuous part, broke forth two weeks ago when the school board failed to re-elect Mrs. Young, who had served for a number of years as superintendent with such success as to elicit the plaudits of educational leaders throughout the country. Whereupon Mayor Carter Harrison ousted four members of the board and other members were appointed in their stead. With its complexion thus changed, the board voted to re-instate Mrs. Young.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Arbitration as a means of determining the legal head of Chicago's public schools is favored by John D. Shoop, who claims he was illegally ousted on Tuesday as superintendent to make way for the reinstatement of Mrs. Ella Flagg Young.

'We are fighting on a plan for a commission of five men,' was the statement made yesterday by E. R. Litzinger, Mr. Shoop's attorney. 'They may be judges, reputable attorneys or a mixed commission of business men and attorneys.''

Whether or not this plan will be followed will be determined tomorrow at a meeting with the four men who were ousted by Mayor Harrison as members of the Board of Education after the board had failed to re-elect Mrs. Young at the annual meeting two weeks ago.

No definite acceptance of her re-election to the superintendency has been received from Mrs. Young, who is resting at Tryon, N. C. However, it is the understanding of Mayor Harrison and others that she will accept.

COUNTRY SWINS CELEBRATE

Several of Them Get "Nabbed" on Kinston Streets.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 26.—John Koonce, Daniel Cade and Rock Cade, Kinston visitors from the country celebrated Christmas at a busy corner of Queen street and attracted a crowd. Two bluecoats put a stop to the festivities. It was Daniel Cade who started the fun. When he was arrested Rock Cade also had to be taken into custody because of his attempts to interfere.

Patrolman Floyd Kennedy was threatened by one of the men with a drawn knife. When he and Patrolman Stroud started with the Cades to City Hall the small but very obstreperous Koonce was left behind. While he was denouncing the officers to the crowd who had gathered another policeman came along and followed with Koonce in the wake of the others. The trio were tried in municipal court for disorderly conduct and Daniel Cade was sent on to superior court for resisting arrest.

MARRIED IN GOLDSBORO.

Beaufort Minister Weds Miss Sadie Gertrude Cole.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—At the home of the bride's father, Mr. James W. Cole, in this city, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, Rev J. A. Snow, pastor of the Second Baptist church of this city, officiating, Miss Sadie Gertrude Cole and Rev. Charles H. Trueblood, pastor of the Baptist church at Beaufort, N. C., were quietly married in the presence of the immediate families and a few especially invited friends.

The ceremony was simple and quiet owing to the recent bereavement of the bride in the death of her mother. The bride and groom left on the Eastbound Norfolk Southern train the same evening for their home in Beaufort, N. C.

MR. A. E. PEMPLETON DEAD.

Well Known Citizen at Farmer Passed Yesterday Morning.

Mr. A. E. Pempleton, a well known citizen of Farmer, died at his home at that place yesterday morning at 4 o'clock. He was 42 years old. He was a splendid type of the useful citizen and had a large circle of friends who will extend tender sympathy to the bereaved family in their great loss.

Surviving him are two daughters, Miss Janie and Lula Pempleton. The funeral will be held this morning at 10 o'clock from the home and the interment will be in the Jackson graveyard.

CHARLOTTE MAN IS KILLED BY STREET CAR.

C. B. Skipper Run Down Near Seaboard Station.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 26—C. B. Skipper, a well known cotton mill man, formerly of Lancaster, S. C., and of Charlotte, but more recently part owner of the Brevard Cotton Mills, of Brevard, N. C., was run down by a street car near the Seabord station last night and instantly killed. Mr. Skipper is said to have been leaning up against the embankment and was not seen in time to stop the car.

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FRITZI SCHEFF WEDS AGAIN.

Becomes Bride of George Anderson, Her Leading Man and Manager.

New York, Dec. 26.—Fritzi Scheff, the piquant and fascinating star of light opera and vaudeville, who divorced two notable husbands within four years, was married on Wednesday in New Rochelle to George Anderson, her leading man and manager.

Rumors that the two were engaged began to be heard shortly after the actress obtained her decree from John Fox, Jr., the novelist, last February. But Miss Scheff made a denial of the rumors.

Wednesday's ceremony was very simple and almost secret. It was performed by Rev. F. A. Wells, of the North Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, in the home of a friend of the couple in New Rochelle. This friend and the clergyman were the only witnesses.

Miss Scheff and her latest husband are now en route to St. Louis, where Miss Scheff will appear on Monday evening.

The first husband of the "little devil" of opera, as Paderewski called her, was the Baron Fritz von Bardeleben. He came with her to this country several years ago, and established himself in business. He had been a captain of Hussars in the German army. She obtained a divorce very quietly in 1908.

Soon afterwards, following a romantic courtship in the Adirondacks, Miss Scheff was married to John Fox, Jr., the famous story teller of the Cumberland mountains. There was a clash of temperament, and she obtained a decree after a hearing before a referee.

TWO RUN DOWN; ONE KILLED BY A. C. L. TRAIN

Christmas Tragedy at Fayetteville—Fire at Hope Mills.

Fayettesville, N. C., Dec. 26.—Christmas morning at 12:30 o'clock A. C. L. train No. 85 ran down two negroes, Haywood and Oscar Bates, near the Fayetteville Ice company's plant. They were both taken to Highsmith hospital, where Haywood has since died and Oscar is said to be fatally hurt.

The municipal Christmas tree for both white and black was a great success in Fayetteville and the great multitudes of children attending went away bearing gifts.

T. O. Martin, Claud Godwin, E. L. Odom and others gave a splendid Christmas dinner in Campbellton, (lower Fayeteville) when more than 200 people sat down.

At Hope Mills Christmas the store of Henry Hall was burned and Mr. Hall barely escaped with his life. Another store near the A. C. A. depot was also burned and the house of a widow was entered and robbed of $7.

FINDS INDIAN RELICS.

Lenoir Farmer Inearths 150 Arrowheads From One Deposit.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 26.—J. F. Dail, of Institue township, Lenoir county, reports the unearthing of a unique deposit of Indian relics at his country place in the vicinity of Laorange. While digging a hole Dail struck a hard substance and upon investigation found that it was a flint arrowhead. Continuing to dig, he encountered more arrowheads until he had a total of 150, all nicely shaped and of stone. They were probably the property of a warrior who was interred on the spot and buried with the remains long since turned to dust.

Collegians who are at their homes here for the holidays will comprise a football team with a number of stars, to play the local high school eleven during the next few days. The date has not been agreed upon. Among the 'varsity players will be Reynold Allen, U. N. C., and John Duffy, Wake Forest, both letter men.

LOSES LEG FROM HUNTING ACCIDENT

Charlie Smith, Who Lives Near Mt. Airy, Badly Injured.

Mt. Airy, N. C., Dec. 26.—As a result of an accident, Charles Smith, a sixteen year old boy, who lives two miles south of this city, lost his leg, Christmas eve by amputation after having been badly shot. Just before noon, he and a neighbor boy were out hunting and by some means the other boy's gun was accidentally discharged and the whole load entered the Smith boy's leg literally tearing it into shreds.

Physicians were summoned and after consultation it was decided that amputation was necessary. Dr. Flippin was assisted by Drs. Raone and Turlington, and the patient is doing well. The boy is the son of Mr. Joe Smith, a well known citizen, and the accident is greatly regretted.

SERGEANT BEASLEL AT KINSTON.

Hero of Catastrophe in Which Soldiers Were Killed.

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 26.—Here on a three-months leave of absence is Sergt. Hal. Beasley, Hospital Corps, U. S. A., who was the subject of two-column headlines in papers of the Gulf States for several days following the wreck of a troop train in Mississippi a few weeks ago.

Beasley was the hero of the catastrophe in which many of the soldiers were killed and wounded. Both his assistants incapacitated and himself with a broken rib, the sergeant earned the plaudits of his superious and the thanks of railroad officials for his work in attending the wounded. He is a guest of relatives here.

NO ACCIDENTS AT WILSON.

Good Cheer and More Than Usual Amount of Noise.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec., 26.—With more than the usual amount of noise, fireworks and varied sort of explosives, Christmas Day came and passed by. Disagreeable because of the steady rainfall, most of the people kept in doors. The town, with the exception of the noise as noted, was quiet.

Miss Annie Bishop, secretary of the Associated Charities, aided by competent committees, looked after the less fortunate ones and there was cheer in every home. No accidents were reported here during the day.

LESS HOURS, NO CUT IN WAGES.

New Hampshire Cotton Mill Decision Affects 16,000 Employes.

Manchester, N. H., Dec. 26.—The Amoskeak Manufacturing Co., has announced to the 16,000 operatives of its cotton mills that the new law limiting employment to 55 hours each week would not bring any reduction in wages. Two mills now run 58 hours weekly. Operation under the new schedule will begin January 2nd.

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 26.—Hughie Mehegan, the Australian lightweight today won the decision over Pal Brown, an American pugilist in an exciting twenty round bout. Ten thousand spectators witnessed the fight.

BLACKMAN—BROGDEN.

Wayne County Minister Weds Durham Girl.

(Special Stor Correspondence.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—Rev. M. Dixie Blackman, of Granthams township, this county, son of Mr. W. E. Blackman, of the section, and Miss Mary E. Brogden, of Durham, were happily wedded Tuesday morning at ten o'clock, at the home of the bride, Rev. J. A. Snow, pastor of the Second Baptist church of this city, officiating. The bride was originally from this county, a daughter of Mr. Darius Brogden, who now lives in Texas.

Christmas day was generally and fittingly observed by a closing of business houses and offices and appropriate services held at the several churches in the city. The day, celebrated in all its usual festivities, passed off without the mar of a single casuality.

HUNTING WOULD-BE ASSASSIN.

Officers Searching for Party Who Shot Lawyer at Bailey.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Dec. 26.—Officers from here are working in the neighborhood of Bailey's, a station on the Norfolk Southern Railroad west of Wilson, in an effort to solve the mystery surrounding the shooting of Mr. C. J. Glover, who is seriously injured as the result of a bullet wound received Wednesday night. Mr. Glover was shot in the back, while sitting in his office.

He thinks the assailant is the same party who attempted to assassinate him several months ago. Mr. Glover does not give any reason for the shooting. An effort was made to secure bloodhounds from Tarboro.

AFTER 14 YEARS' ABSENCE.

Dr. Dosier, of Atlanta, Visits Old Home at Tarboro.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Tarboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—After an absence of 14 years, Dr. Will Dosier, of Atlanta, is here spending the holidays with his brother, Mr. T. J. Dosier. He hardly recognized the place of his birth upon his arrival, owing to the many changes that have taken place. Dr. Dosier is now a leading physician of Atlanta.

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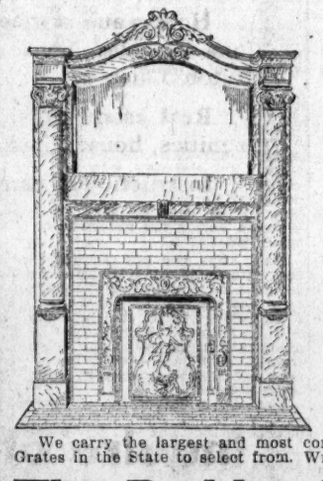

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No. 90, ! 3:40 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 13:20 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.	No. 91, a 1:15 A.M.
No. 51, * 5:35 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50, *12:30 A.M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65, ! 6:25 P.M.
No. 48, * 8:30 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman Service.	No. 49, * 6:15 P.M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P.M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, All Florida Points, Columbia, Asheville and the West. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.	No. 54, * 1:40 P.M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P.M.
No. 58, * 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate stations.	No. 60, 10:15 A.M.
No. 42, * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Brailer, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41, 10:00 A.M.
No. 57, ! 7:00 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Conway and Intermediate stations.	No. 56, ! 9:45 A.M.

* Daily. ! Daily except Sunday. b Sunday only. a Daily except Monday

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W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT OCTOBER 6th, 1913.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EASTBOUND.			WESTBOUND.		
Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park.	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach.	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
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Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 p.m.	2:30 a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a.m.	6:25 p.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a.m.	6:35 p.m.
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Saturday, December 27, 1913.

Some cities imagine they are in competition with neighboring cities.

Communities ought to give "organic consideration" to their advantages and possibilities.

If you can't think of anything else to do when the time comes, plant potatoes and plenty of them.

Says a Paris fashion note: "The Spring fashions will be a revelation." Probably, a further revelation.

Save your money during the coming year so you can see the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco.

A Westerner shot a friend for calling him "a perfect fool." His friend made the mistake of giving him credit for being perfect.

The year 1913 was a lucky one for the United States. It had a Democratic administration which carried out its pledges to the people.

An editor complains that he did not receive a single Christmas present. Probably he has been cultivating the acquaintance of the Spugs.

When a farmer refuses $12,000 for the cabbage crop as it stands on fifty acres of land, it shows how independent a man can become when he farms right anywhere in the Nation's Garden Spot.

President Yuan, of China, denies that he had any intention to abolish the Chinese Parliament. Why not follow President Wilson's plan of worrying along with it till the pressure of the people begins to have its effect in view of another election?

Our idea of "a waste of leather" is illustrated by that Florida Colonel who is canvassing the State on foot in his campaign for the United States Senate. When a candidate for office makes it a foot race he never manages to get there with all four feet, like the fellow who rides on a pass.

Republicans predicted that salaries and wages would be reduced if the Democrats got in power, but the Southern Railway has been reckless enough to increase the pay of its train dispatchers. The fact is, business does not depend near as much on politics as Republican politicians imagine among other vain and foolish things.

Before marriage a woman has a theory about how to manage a husband. After mariage she finds that it is not a theory with which she has to experiment but a condition she has to make the old man meet. The city business manager of Oshkosh never had the job on his hands that some women have as managers of the old man.

Says the Richmond Times-Dispatch: "If you want to feel like John D. Rockefeller, have some old Virginia country sausage for breakfast." We don't want to feel like Mr. Rockefeller, for he is always complaining that he can't eat and stuff like an ordinary man who eats himself out of house and home. What we want is our appetite financed like Mr. Rockefeller is able to do it.

"Ellen Wilson" is one of the exhibitors in the winter exposition of the National Academy of Design, recently opened in New York. Her exhibits consist of two canvasses showing pretty landscape scenes. Probably the most remarkable thing about the pictures is that the artist never signed them as "Ellen Woodrow Wilson" like most of our lady friends would have done. It shows that Mrs. Wilson is very Democratic and depends upon the merit of her own work.

Gratification is expressed that the American hen is on her job and will put the egg trust out of business. Ideas like that make the egg trust laugh. When eggs are plentiful and cheap early in the season it enables the cold storage people to lay in their supply at the lowest prices. They are then stored till eggs are scarce and prices are good. The trust cares nothing about how many eggs the hens lay now just so they quit laying later on. The trouble with the egg market is that the hens lay when it suits them and quit laying when it suits the trust.

OUR GREAT COTTON INDUSTRY.

Director William J. Harris, of the bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, has just sent out a valuable bulletin concerning the supply and distribution of cotton for the crop year ended August 31st, 1913. For the first time, the bulletin gives the statistics of cotton imported by us, as well as names the countries from which we imported, so that we not only get complete statistics about the American crop, but general information about cotton produced and distributed by other cotton countries of the world.

The bulletin makes the astonishing statement that the 1913 crop aggregated 16,225,734 bales, and that it was the largest of all crops with the exception of that of 1912, when the crop production was 17,896,226 bales. The large supply for 1913, the bulletin states, is due to the size of the crop in 1912, while the record supply in 1912 was due to the record crop in 1911, so that in reality the 1911 crop was that which broke the record.

Of the total supply of 1913 crop of cotton 5,826,330 bales, or 35.9 per cent, including cotton destroyed by fire, were consumed in this country. Of the crop, 8,800,966 bales, or 54.2 per cent, were exported, while 1,598,438 bales, or 9.9 per cent remained as surplus in this country at the close of the year.

While calamity howlers were busy, the consumption, for 1913, of cotton in the United States was the largest in the history of the country, exceeding that of 1912, the next largest, by 418,747 bales, and exceeding the average production for seven years by 851,253 bales. The exports during the 1913 season were 1,880,792 bales less than for 1912, but greater than those of any other year. On the whole, the bulletin shows that consumption of cotton is steadily increasing in this country as well as in Europe.

While this country produces cotton, it imported 227,645 bales from Egypt, Peru, and other countries. This really shows that the importation of cotton by the United States is negligible, since practically all the cotton consumed in American mills is grown here. We got 191,075 bales from Egypt, 18,341 bales from China; 10,737 bales from Peru; 4,373 bales from India, and small quantities from Mexico, Santo Domingo, Haiti, Venezuela, Ecquador and Colombia.

In addition to the cotton statistics, the bulletin shows that during the year ended August 31st, 1913, the number of spindles operating in cotton in this country was 31,519,766, exceeding the previous year by 941,238, or 3.1 per cent increase. In 1913 spindles to the number of 629,851 were returned as idle, compared with 1,004,151 idle spindles in 1912. This reduction of idle spindles indicates an improved condition of the industry. As to the standing of the cotton manufacturing States the bulletin contains this valuable information:

"In the total number of cotton spindles, Massachusetts exceeds every other State, having 11,075,684, or 34.5 per cent of the total for the United States in 1913; South Carolina ranks second, with 4,536,353, or 14.1 per cent; North Carolina, third, with 3,594,000 spindles, or 11.2 per cent; Rhode Island, fourth; Georgia, fifth; New Hampshire, sixth; Connecticut, seventh; Maine, eighth; and Alabama, ninth. No other State reported as many as a million spindles. The States showing the largest gains during the year were South Carolina, North Carolina, and Georgia in the order named, the total gain for the three States representing 84.1 per cent of the net gain for the United States. Indiana, Kansas, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont all show losses in the total number of spindles, although there was no loss in active spindles in these States considered together. The losses in total number of spindles were due in some of these States to the dismantling of establishments which were idle the preceding year.

"Massachusetts, with 1,332,912 bales leads all the other States in the quantity of cotton consumed; North Carolina, with 876,359 bales, is second; South Carolina, with 775,851 bales, third; and Georgia, with 648,131 bales, fourth. The largest actual increase in the annual consumption of cotton shown for the period covered by the table is in the cotton-growing States. The consumption in North Carolina increased from 756,677 bales to 876,359 bales, or 15.8 per cent; in South Carolina, from 696,462 bales to 775,851 bales, or 11.4 per cent; and in Georgia, from 540,818 bales to 648,131 bales, or 19.8 per cent."

This enables us to observe the wonderful progress of the cotton milling industry in South Carolina, North Carolina and Georgia. Georgia is coming close upon the heels of the Carolinas, but it will be noted that so far as consumption of cotton goes, North Carolina is at the head of the industry in the South. South Carolina leads only in the number of spindles.

ELEMENTS OF PROSPERITY.

Increased diversification in the activities and avocations of the people of the South Atlantic States accounts for their market progress and general prosperity. This was indicated in The Star yesterday morning in a Columbia dispatch stating that in South Carolina manufacturing is little less important in the value of products than agriculture. Manufacturing in that State is keeping close up with agriculture in the race for supremacy, and the probability is that the same condition prevails in North Carolina.

This diversity in agriculture and manufacturing is responsible for making cities out of towns in Nor Carolina and South Carolina, but The Star wishes to emphasize the fact that those cities which are growing fastest are the ones which are leading in industrial development. The cotton milling industry especially is furnishing a home market for cotton grown at home and for millions of dollars worth of food products necessary to feed the industrial operatives. Thus, it can be noted how important manufacturing it by promoting the welfare of the farmers in the vicinity of the manufacturing centres.

In order to press home the lesson of the great value of manufacturing, we wish to call particular attention to the fact that industrial development not only is responsible for the growth of the cities but for the prosperity of agriculture around such cities. Increased agricultural prosperity means increased farm values, so that manufacturing extends its beneficial effects in all directions.

If Wilmington wants to go ahead even more rapidly in 1914 than it has done in these recent years of the city's prosperity, it does not have to seek the secret. It is furnished open and above board by indusrial centres which have grown up in North Carolina and South Carolina. Let us add manufacturing to Wilmington's commerce and regional agriculture, and thus have more of the elemepts of progress than most cities can have.

We must not overtook the fact that North Carolina has factories that are turning her cotton, tobacco and forest products into the finished articles, and in that respect it stands at the head in consuming more kinds of raw materials that are produced in the State. We must keep immersed in the fact that where we produce the raw material, we must use it ourselves and ship away the manufactured products.

NEW AMBITIONS FOR CITIES.

We picked up a Congressional Record, of last Monday, giving an account of the proceedings of the Senate, and noticed that cities of all sections of the country are working like Trojans to be named as the locations for the eight to 12 regional reserve banks to be authorized under the new Democratic reserve act just passed by Congress as a Christmas gift for the country. The Senators were presenting the claims of numerous cities in their States, and quite a running debate occurred over the efforts of Seattle to get as much publicity as possible out of her efforts to get to be the regional reserve bank for the Northwest zone.

Senator Poindexter, of the State of Washington, was doing the maneuvering for Seattle and the debate occurred over his seeking permission to print Seattle's claims in the Record. He finally got that city's boost in, but the Senators reserved the privilege of putting a stop to advertising cities in the Record, if the demand gets too heavy. It seems quite likely that such will be the case, as cities by the hundreds have great aspirations to become one of Uncle Sam's reserve financial centers.

The new currency bill evidently pleases the entire country, and even Wall Street seems to approve it as a good thing. It was certainly needed, for the National banking system had lasted 50 years and during that time the Republicans had never provided the country with a banking law that would be safe. The fact is, it was 51 years ago since the original law was passed and 49 years since a great impetus was given to the system by levying a prohibitive tax on the issues of State banks. The object, of course, was to force other banks to become National banks, and certainly there was no more rank discrimination in National legislation than that. The purpose of the National bank law, however, was to force a market for United States bonds by inducing banks to loan the government a large portion of their capital. It served that purpose in a time of need, and then its real usefulness ceased. Nevertheless, it was kept on the country and the hundreds of bank failures show that it really did not protect the money of the people.

A GREAT PARTY RECORD.

President Wilson was entitled to his Christmas and the Democratic Congress deserves the thanks of the country for aiding him in accomplishing the great things he has done for the country. The Philadelphia Record regards that as something extraordinary for it says the Democratic party has made a notable record in legislation in behalf of the people. As evidence of it, that paper remarks:

"To have passed the tariff bill, including an income tax, and the currency bill within nine months gives evidence of a capacity for affirmative action that the Repuolicans did not dream of. Their chagrin at defeat a year ago was tempered by bright visions of sitting around mirthfully while the poor, incompetent, inexperienced and discordant Democrats tried in vain to agree on something. And things haven't come out that way."

Truly, it is a record that should make Democrats proud, and they will be prouder than ever should the country go right on and prosper in spite of the wishes of Republican politicians whose noses are out of joint.

The trusts which view with alarm go right on declaring good dividends. Since dissolution by court decress and voluntary acts do not seem to affect their money-making cinch, they ought to be ruled out of court for being without an excuse to do calamity howling.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star says that during the present year the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad has brought into its territory 3,000 settlers. Most of these have located in the eastern section of the State and are from Canada and the West—the sort of people North Carolina is wanting. It is well to get our State populated with Americanized people before the foreign element turns its face this way, which it is sure to do in time.—Charlotte Observer.

A young white man was arrested at Kinston this week for the alleged larceny of a tape-line, worth anywhere from ten cents to $2.50, and was due to spend a term in jail until a magistrate or superior court judge could determine his guilt or innocence. The Lenoir county officers thought the were complying with the law in holding this young man, and maybe they were, but if the law contemplates taking away the liberties of a man and injuring his reputation on such a trivial charge, then the law is indeed an ass.—Raleigh Times.

The Seaboard Air Line has some fine, well equipped through passenger trains. Two of these trains, southbound, pass Sanford early of a morning. These trains with their big engines of the latest make and long steel cars, including Pullman, glide along with the ease and grace of a snake as they round the curve in pulling out of town. They make a pretty picture as they move along a clear morning with steam and smoke floating overhead and mingling with the rays from the rising sun. In looking at this picture one wonders what improvements will next be made in the modern railroad train.—Sanford Express.

We don't know what other folks think about it, but to us it occurs that, judging from those Christmas sentiments from the pens of North Carolina women, as printed in yesterday morning's News and Observer, some of North Carolina's women are qualified to use the ballot most ably and intelligently. They were noble sentiments, revealing a breadth of vision and a wholesomeness of thought that might have been surprising to those who had not already become convinced that the women of North Carolina are good and capable in about the same proportion and to about the same degree as the men. Again we say, the compliments of the season to the women of the Old North State!—Raleigh News and Observer.

Sir Henry Trueman Wood remembers what everybody else has forgotten if he ever knew it, that at the exhibitions conference in Berlin in 1912 the representatives of 17 nations agreed that they would not participate in an international exposition for three years after taking part in one. But there has been no international exposition of any consequence since then, and the Panama show will not open till three years after that agreement, so that England and Germany are as free as the United States to celebrate the completion of the Panama Canal. The British Government is being more roughly handled than the German Government by the press and manufacturers of its own country, and there will be plenty of British and German exhibits at SanFrancisco, even without official patronage.—Philadelphia Record.

ELECTRIC POWER RATE.

To the Editor of The Star:

The Tidewater Power Company announces a reduction in its motor power rate effective January 1st, 1914.

Comparing their former rates and their proposed new rates, as announced in their circular letter, the supposed reduction becomes a reductio ad absurdum.

Heretofore, the patron was charged 7 cents per k.w.h. for the first 21 k.w.h. to each horsepower; now, it is 7 cents for the first 20 k.w.h. No reduction in rate, but one k.w.h. only takes the next rate at 5 cents, instead of 7 cents, by which we save 2 cents, provided you consume over the minimum. If a 5 horsepower motor consumed in one month 400 k.w.h., you would save just 10 cents on a bill of $22.

Heretofore, on the next 63 k.w.h. consumed per each horsepower, the charge was 5 cents; now the charge is the same as to rate but you are charged on 60 k.w.h. instead of 63; so the only reduction here is that 3 k.w.h. will take the third rate, which is 2 instead of 5 cents.

Take this illustration. On a 5 h.p. motor, say you consumed 125 k.w.h. At old rate this would be charged at 7 cents for the first 105 k.w.h. and at 5 cents for the next 20 k.w.h., equal to $7.35, less 20 per cent discount, or $5.89. But the new rate will be 7 cents for the first 100 k.w.h. and 5 cents for the next 25, equal to $7.25, less 10 per cent discount, or $6.53. Wherein comes the reduction to the small patron?

Now, after you are charged the 7 cent rate on 20 k.w.h. and 5 cents on 60 k.w.h. on each horsepower, the excess was charged by the old rate at 2 1-2 cents, but by this new rate it will be 2 cents. The circular letter announces a 10 per cent discount, whereas they have been giving 20 per cent for motive power, at least to some patrons.

Here is an illustration of how this rate is going to operate against larger consumers. The company rendered one of its patrons a bill for the month ending November 25, 1914; motor 50 h.p.; k.w.h. consumed 4,700; bill $243.50, less 20 per cent, or net $192.80. On a basis of the new rate effective January 1st, this will will be (same motor, same curent consumed, same operating business), as follows:

First 1,000 k.w.h. at 7c	$ 70.00
Next 3,000 k.w.h. at 5c	150.00
Next 700 k.w.h. at 2c	14.00
Total, 4,700 k.w.h.	$234.00
Less 10 per cent	23.40
Net	$210.60

The difference, then, between the present net rate charged this patron and what he will be charged, at the new rates, is $16.80; that is, the patron will pay more by that amount on the new rate.

Did the company not make a mistake about when the new rates became effective? Not January 1st, to be sure! Evidently, they were intended to take effect on April 1st, next! That would have been appropriate. IREDELL MEARES.

A woman is content to wait on the man she loves forever, but she won't wait for him half an hour.

COULD NOT STOP DRINKING.

Man in Note to Wife Gives This as Reason for Suicide.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Dec. 26.—"I want you to understand that drinking is the cause of me taking my life, Tell papa, mamma, that I tried to stop for their sake, but could not. Both were good to me and I love them, but I see if I keep on drinking that I will be a disgrace to you, dear Pearl, and them. I will say that whiskey is a curse to all mankind. It is what has put me where I am at."

The above is an extract from a letter written to his wife shortly before Clarence E. Groner, an employe of the Southern Express Company, committed suiside at 6:30 o'clock Christmas morning, shooting himself in the head with a pistol.

EXPRESS COMPANIES LOSE.

Effect of Parcel Post Shown in Connecticut Report.

Hartford, Conn, Dec. 26.—The effect of the operation of the parcel post is shown in the annual report of the Connecticut Public Utilities Commission, just made public. Every express company reporting to the commission showed a falling off in receipts. In one instance the decrease in operating income was $89,872.

A year of general prosperity for public service corporations is indicated, however, by the report in an increase of nearly $3,000,000 in dividends of such corporations for the year.

ANOTHER TITANIC WIDOW WEDS

Was on Honeymoon Trip When the Steamer Went Down.

New York, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Daniel W. Marvin, one of those made a widow by the Titanic disaster, was married here yesterday to Horace DeCamp, a local merchant.

Mrs. Marvin's husband went down with the Titanic while the couple was returning from a honeymoon trip.

Mrs. Marvin was Mary Graham Farquharson, of this city.

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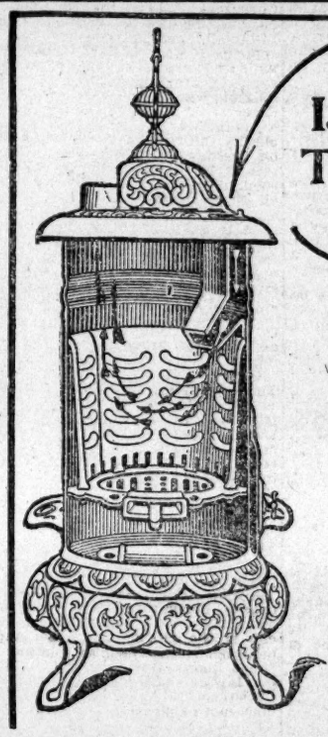

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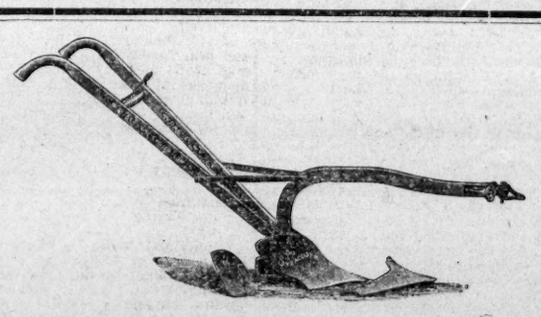

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NEW YEAR

OFFER TO FURNISH POWER

Tidewater Power Co., Suggests Use of Electricity at Waterworks Plant. The Proposition.

The City Council will give consideration to a suggestion of Mr. Hugh MacRae, president of the Tidewater Power Company, that the city operate the waterworks plant by electricity and that the electricity be furnished by the Tidewater Power Company. Mayor Moore yesterday received a communication from Mr. MacRae in which the offer is made. The matter will be presented to the City Council Monday morning.

Mr. MacRae states his belief that the Tidewater Power Company can furnish electric current for the operation of the plant at a saving to the city over the present method of operation by steam. He asks that the city have Mr. Raymond Hunt, superintendent of the electric department of the company, make a careful investigation of the condition and submit a report showing exactly what saving, if any, there will be to the city to use electricity for the operation of the plant. The investigation and report will be made without cost to the city. The Council will very likely invite Mr. MacRae to have the investigation made. The fuel bill at present amounts to $800 to $1,000 a month and the services of two firemen are required. These items would be eliminated if electricity were used. There will also be a saving in other items, most probably.

The fact that the Tidewater Power Company is making an especial effort at this time to sell power, as is shown by this offer to the city and the announcement of a reduced rate, is taken to mean by some that the company is preparing to greatly increase its power capacity.

The letter which was received yesterday by Mayor Moore from Mr. MacRae, follows:

"Wilmington, Dec. 24th, 1913.

"To the Mayor and Council of the City of Wilmington.

"Gentlemen—We feel confident that we can submit to you a plan for furnishing electric power for the operation of the city waterworks plant which will enable you to effect a considerable saving for the city and at the same time hold the city's present steam plant in reserve:

"We write to ask if it would be agreeable to your board to have our Mr. Raymond Hunt make a careful investigation of the conditions and submit a report to you showing whether a material saving can be made and if so, how much.

"We would be very glad to submit all the facts; and if there is an opportunity for a saving, will make a definite proposition to the city without any expense to be incurred by your board in connection with the report.

"Trusting that this will meet with your approval, we are

"Very truly yours,

"TIDEWATER POWER CO.,

"HUGH MacRAE, President."

Ask Customers' Opinion.

The question of whether or not to put into effect here the power rates now in effect in Raleigh and Goldsboro was yesterday submitted by the Tidewater Power Company to its power customers. This was done in accordance with the Conmpany's offer made at a recent meeting of the city council to apply the Raleigh and Goldsboro rates, if a majority of the users of electric power in Wilmington desire it. As soon as the question of power rates has been disposed of the same question will be submitted to the company's lighting customers in regard to the rates for electric lights, it is stated.

Below is given a copy of the letter sent by the company to each of its customers. A copy of the Wilmington power rates and the Raleigh and Goldsboro rates accompanied the letter so that those interested would have the full information before them with which to make a decision.

"Wilmington, Dec. 26, 1913.

"Dear Sir:—

"At a meeting of the City Council held recently, Mr. Hugh MacRae stated that the Tidewater Power Company would be willing to put into effect rates for power indentical with those in effect at Raleigh and Goldsboro for power current furnished by the Carolina Light and Power Company to their customers, provided a majority of the customers of the Tidewater Power Co., preferred the Raleigh and Goldsboro rates to the rates prevailing in Wilmington.

"We wish to say that after careful comparisons of the rates we believe that the Wilmington rates are fairer to a majority of our customers than the Raleigh rates would be.

"The Raleigh and Goldsboro rates seem to throw the burden on the small consumer. We think this may be due to the fact that the public service corporation furnishing power at these points has temporarily a surplus of power from its water power plant, which it could dispose of to large customers at lower than normal rates, and possibly with a view to withdrawing these rates as the demand from the small consumers requires the amount of power which they have available.

"Enclosed is a copy of the Raleigh rates and a copy of the rates in effect in Wilmington. We will at any time when satisfied that a majority of our power customers desire a change, be glad to put into effect the Raleigh rate. So that we may be advised as to this, we will appreciate it, if you will notify us at once as to your preference in the matter.

"Very truly yours,

'TIDEWATER POWER COMPANY."

ATLANTIC COAST LINE TO REMODEL BUILDING

Bids Are Asked for Improving Interior of Structure.

The Atlantic Coast Line is preparing to remodel and otherwise improve the interior of the large general office building in this city. Bids have been asked of local dealers and contractors for different features of the work. Proposals are asked in circulars letters sent out from the office of Irwin & Leighton, of Baltimore, and it is stated that bids and estimates must be in hand by the first mail, Tuesday, December 30th, 1913.

Local officials of the Coast Line declined to give out any information relative to the plans for remodelling the building, when approached yesterday. However, it is understood that a complete overhauling and remodelling is planned. Many of the officials have removed to the new combination office building and union station and this will give more room in the old building, which will be remodelled and made to meet the present needs of the company. It is planned to make the building absolutely fireproof by the use of concrete and steel. Work will begin in a few weeks on the contemplate improvements, it is thought.

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ELKS' CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

Annual Distribution to Poor of City—Christmas Tree Tuesday Night—Pleasing Recognition.

Nowhere in Wilmington was the Christmas spirit more in evidence than with Wilmington Lodge, No. 532, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which just now, under the direction of Exalted Ruler B. P. Strickland, is perhaps the most active fraternal order in Wilmington.

Beginning with Christmas Day, when the Elks' Club, under the management of that Prince of good fellows, Mr. H. A. Webber, kept open house all day, until after the New Year, when a splendid reception will be given in honor of the wives and lady friends of members of the lodge, the holiday season has been and will be featured by a number of pleasant events that will make Christmas, 1913, a memorable event in the history of the Wilmington Lodge.

As usual on Christmas Day, there was the annual distribution of baskets of good things to the poor of the city, more than 130 families having been remembered by the Charity Committee through the lodge, Mr. Benjamin Hill having been in charge. Other members of the committee were Messrs. C. C. Loughlin, J. H. Niggel, Jr., S. M. King and H. Gilbert Dill.

Private conveyances, each manned by members of the order, went into various sections of the city with a message and a concrete example of Christmas bounty, and many a family circle was made happy that otherwise might not have known the joys of Christmas. These baskets contained not only delicacies, but substantials of life, and in each and every case the committee was gratified and pleased with the evidences that they were supplying real needs and that their mission was one of mercy and good cheer.

Another of the evidences of the Elks' charity and benevolence will take place on Tuesday night, 30th, when a Christmas tree will be given in the lodge room, on the third floor of the Temple on North Front street, more than a hundred invitations having been issued to the worthy poor children of the city. The Charity Committee is in charge and, with their splendid work just ended, this is sufficient guarantee that the affair will be one of great pleasure to all the little folks who attend. The churches of the city are co-operating in this work, and the tree will be pretty and inviting to all who attend.

On New Year's night the annual New Year's reception will be given to members of the families and the lady friends of members of the Wilmington Lodge. There will be open house all day, a programme of music and other entertaining features. The committee in charge is composed of Past Exalted Ruler J. F. Leitner, chairman; Messrs. I. W. Solomon, C. W. Polvogt, L. Stein and J. O. Reilly.

Not the least pleasing of the incidents of the Christmas season with members of the Club, was the presentation of a handsome loving cup to Mr. Benjamin Bell, whose work on the charity committee, for a number of years, has been distinguished. The cup is the gift of the lodge and is handsomely inscribed as follows: "To Uncle Benny, Our Charity Committee, in Loving Appreciation.—The Elks, Christmas, 1913." Nothing could have been more appropriate or more deserved.

Another pleasing feature was the presentation to Manager Webber of a very handsome ebony, gold-handled walking cane, from the lodge. The inscription is: "H. A. W. A Merry Christmas, From the Boys of 532."

Mr. Webber is deservedly popular with the members of the club, and this manifestation of good feeling and appreciation towards him was much appreciated.

Mr. Webber's assistant, Mr. Mintz, and other members of the Elks' Club staff were pleasantly remembered by members of the order in and out of Wilmington, and Christmas was, all told, one of the most pleasant in the history of the lodge.

READY TO BEGIN WORK ON BATTERY OF DEEP WELLS.

Councilman Wood Will Insist Upon Trying Out This Plan.

Councilman Wood, in charge of the Department of Water and Sewerage, who has fought for an improvement in the public water supply ever since he became a member of the Council and recently obtained an appropriation of $3,000 with which to begin the drilling of a battery of deep wells, stated yesterday that he would ask the City Council at the meeting Monday to authorize him to commence on the first well it is proposed to drill, now that the report of Prof. E. B. Phelps, the water expert, has been received by the city.

Prof. Phelps considers the proposition to obtain the water supply from deep wells as rather uncertain and does not give the least encouragement to those who feel that this is the solution of the water problem in Wilmington. Notwithstanding the conclusions reached by the water expert, Councilman Wood is of the opinion that good water in sufficient quantity to supply the needs of the city can be had from deep wells and is ready to make the effort to get the water from this source. He says that he is satisfied that a majority of the people are anxious that the city make an effort to get the water from deep wells before undertaking any other project. If, after the proper effort, it is found that the water supply cannot be had from deep wells he would be in favor of the project to run a pipe line to the Northwest branch of the Cape Fear river at a point above Navassa.

Councilman Wood will also bring up at the meeting Monday the lighting question and will insist upon the contract being awarded to the J. B. McCrary Co., of Atlanta, Ga., for making a survey and furnishing data as to the cost of installation of a municipal lighting system, which was voted down at a recent meeting.

NEW DINERS ARE BEAUTIES

Mr. Myers Inspected Tampa and Was Delighted.

The following item from yesterday's News and Courier, of Charleston, S. C., will be of interest along the lines of the A. C. L. railroad:

On its first north-bound trip, the Atlantic Coast Line diner Tampa, one of the new 82-foot beauties ordered from the Pullman Company, arrived in Charleston at the Union Station on No. 82 Wednesday. Thomas E. Myers, travelling passenger agent, made a visit of inspection and returned with the remark, "Tis certainly a beauty."

No. 82, known as the "Palmetto Limited," had some artistic menu cards especially printed, giving the choice articles prepared a la carte at reasonable rates. The cover on the breakfast menu showed the Alabama State Capitol and the luncheon cover showed the Charleston Custom House.

ANNUAL SOCIAL TONIGHT

Cape Fear Council, United Commercial Travelers, Will Have Christmas Celebration.

The members of Cape Fear Council, No. 374, United Commercial Travelers, will have the annual social of the chapter at the council parlor over the Murchison National Bank this evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock. This will differ from all the former socials of the council in that it will be attended by the wives and lady friends of the members.

The committee in charge of the arrangements is composed of Messrs. L. H. Burnett, H. H. Pearsall and I. C. Loftin and they are sparing no pains for making the event the most enjoyable one that the organization has ever had. The presence of the ladies will serve to make the social a most happy and pleasant one for the members and judging from the large number who have signified their intention of being present there will be a large attendance.

The reguar monthly business meeting of the council will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the council parlor and in addition to the transaction of the regular routine business a class of candidates, of which there are a large number, will be initiated into the mysteries of this popular organization. Knowing the keen curiosity of the ladies regarding secret orders it has been planned to save several of the candidates for initiation until tonight. This will be a feature that in itself will be well worth seeing and will no doubt add much to the enlivenment of the affair.

Delightful refreshments will be served and music for the occasion will be furnished by Mr. O. O. Whitlock's orchestra, composed of eight pieces. The affair promises to be one of the most enjoyable social events of the holiday season.

The meeting will be opened with prayer by Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, following which the address of welcome to the visiting ladies will be made by Mr. L. H. Burnett. Punch will then be served and there will also be several selections by the orchestra.

Rev. F. B. Clausen will make an address on unity, charity and temperance, the three cardinl principles of the order. He will be introduced by the Supreme councilor, Mr. C. J. Roberts. Following his address there will be a short intermission during which time there will be refreshments served and music by the orchestra. This will be followed by an addreess by Mr. W. O. Page on the objects and benefits of the order of the United Commercial Travelers

The initiation of the candidates will come at the close of Mr. Page's address. They will be put through all the arduous ordeals and perplexing tests that are required for becoming a full fledged member of the order and the visitors given an opportunity to see just how it is done. The programme for the evening will close with exercises by the chaplain of the lodge.

A SPLENDID TESTIMONIAL.

Remarkably High Tribute Paid to Col. Walker Taylor, of Wilmington.

A remarkably fine tribute to the worth and popularity of a North Carolinian—perhaps the finest ever paid by the North Carolina delegation in Congress to any man—was the recent endorsement of Col. Walker Taylor, of this city, for the collectorship of the port, sent to the President this week, as noted briefly in the Star's Washington correspondence. This endorsement was secured by Hon. H. L. Godwin, Congressman from the Sixth district, was filed with Senator Simmons and was later presented to the President by Senators Simmons and Overman and Mr. Godwin. It is as follows:

"UNITED STATES SENATE
"Committee on Finance.

"To the President, the White House.

"We, the undersigned members of the North Carolina Delegation in Congress respectfully recommend for the position of Colector of Customs for the port of Wilmington, N. C., Colonel Walker Taylor. There is no finer character or better qualified man for this position in all North Carolina in our judgment. "Respectfully,

"F. M. SIMMONS,
"LEE S. OVERMAN.
"H. L. GODWIN, 6th.
"J. M. GUDGER, JR., 10th.
"R. L. DOUGHTON, 8th.
"E. Y. WEBB, 9th.
"EDWARD W. POU, 4th.
"CHAS. M. STEDMAN, 5th,
"ROBERT N. PAGE, 7th.
"CLAUDE KITCHIN, 2nd.
"JOHN M. FAISON, 3rd.
"JOHN H. SMALL, 1st."

Col. Taylor has acknowledged this splendid testimonial in the following letter to Mr. Godwin:

"Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 24, 1913.

"Hon. H. L. Godwin, Washington, D. C.

"Dear Sir:—I am deeply grateful for the information contained in your letter of the 23rd. Your action is exceedingly complimentary and pleasing. Kindly accept for yourself and convey to the Senators and Representatives from this State, expressions of my gratitude for this manifestation of friendship on their part.

"With the season's greetings to you and yours, I am,

"Very cordially,

"WALKER TAYLOR."

SHOULD MUZZLE DOGS.

Owners of Canines Advised to Take Precautions Against Rabies.

Within the last several days several canines have been killed in Wilmington that were apparently rabid. Unfortunately they were not killed until they had either bitten some person or had perhaps bitten other dogs. While modern science has made it possible with the proper treatment to prevent the infection of people with this terrible disease it is by no means a pleasant experience to be bitten by a rabid dog and subjects one to great expense to take the treatment.

Dr. John Thames, assistant county health officer, stated yesterday that he thought that owners of dogs should keep them at home or if they did not do this, that the dogs running at large should be muzzled. A muzzled dog, he stated, cannot do much harm and it does not cost much to take a precaution against possible infection from rabies.

With so many dogs going "mad" many people are looking askance at every canine they meet, for they do not know but that it may have the dreaded disease. Should it be found that many of the dogs that have been killed were rabid it is not improbable that the mayor will order all dogs that are allowed to run at large to be muzzled, the law giving him this authority when in his opinion the conditions are such as to demand it.

Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Mr. Nash E. Bunting and son William are here on a visit from Wilmington."

MANY CHRISTMAS TREES

Number of City Churches Have Exercises Last Night—Presents for the Children.

One of the many pleasant features of the happy holiday season are the Christmas trees given under the auspices of the Sunday schools of the different churches of the city. While several of the churches had their trees and exercises prior to Christmas the majority waited until afterwards, and last night there were a number which had appropriate exercises together with the distribution of presents to the children.

St. John's Church.

The Sunday school of St. John's Episcopal church had their Christmas tree last night in the Parish house. The edifice was filled to overflowing with the members of the Sunday school and their friends. The exercises were opened with prayer and scripture reading followed by the singing of several illuminated hymns by the congregation. The hymns were flashed upon the screen by means of a stereopticon so that those present could easily follow them. An interesting feature were the pictures illustrating the early life of the Saviour which were thrown on the screen. Then came a pretty little play given by 12 children, this being entitled, "The Spirit of Christmas." At the close of the play the presents were distributed. As each one passed out a lighted sparklet was given him and it was indeed a beautiful scene as the several hundred people filed out scattering the sparkles along the street.

Church of Good Shepherd.

A beautiful Christmas tree was given at the church of the Good Shepherd last night. The church was filled with the large congregation. Following the devotional exercises Judge Rountree made a short talk in which he congratulated the Sunday school for the splendid work which it is doing. Rev. T. P. Noe, the rector, also made a short address. Then came the distribution of the presents and there were enough for all and some to spare. The Sunday school of this church is a live organization and is growing rapidly. The celebration last night proved to be most enjoyable to all that attended and will be remembered for many a day by the children.

St. Matthew's Lutheran.

Last night was the occasion for the annual Christmas tree at St. Matthew's Lutheran church. An interesting programme had been arranged consisting of hymns, carols and recitations appropriate to the Christmas festival. There was a large congregation present and the exercises were very much enjoyed. Presents for all the members of the Sunday school were distributed.

Pearsall Memorial Church.

At the Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church in East Wilmington last night the Sunday School had its annual Christmas tree and exercises in commemoration of the birth of the Saviour. Under the skilled guidance of the superintendent, Mr. E. Norfleet, the Sunday school has made rapid strides in the last few months. A most enjoyable programme of exercises had been prepared for the occasion, which was followed by distribution of presents to the young folks. Capt. W. P. Monroe was Santa Claus and well did he carry out the part. Following is the programme: Prayer; recitation by Naomi Blake; solo by Miss Mills; recitation by Louise Williams; song by ladies' chorus; illustrated rhymes by members of the infant class; piano solo by Miss Brown; recitation by Howard Morris; song by Dorothy Mills; recitation by Jimmie Brown; speech without words, by the Sunday school children; recitation by Bertha Williams; recitation by Miss Bessie Mills.

Delgado Presbyterian.

At the Delgado Presbyterian church last night a large congregation attended the annual Christmas tree and Christmas celebration. There were appropriate exercises, consisting of songs and recitations, for the occasion which were followed by the distribution of presents to the Sunday school. Mr. John Allen Thames was Santa Claus and he made a good one. The celebration was greatly enjoyed by the large number present.

PRECEDENT FOR RAILROADS.

The Atlantic Coast Line's Position on Income Tax.

(Charlotte Observer.)

Mr. Alexander Hamilton, first vice president and general counsel of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, has made a public statement of the course that company will pursue in the matter of the payment of the income tax on its bonds and other obligations in view of the provision requiring a deduction of 1 per cent "at the source", to cover the normal tax imposed. This "at the source" clause, by the way, is the one that has given much concern to the large corporations. Mr. Hamilton says that as to the payment of interest on such bonds and obligations as contain, either in the bond or mortgage securing the same, any clause or covenant to the effect that such interest will be paid without any deduction on account of any tax imposed by governmental authorities, the paying agents have already been instructed to pay to the holders of such obligations the full amount of interest according to the tenor thereof without any deduction, but only upon the holders presenting certificates, which the company is by law compelled to require, concerning ownership, in compliance with the regulations of the Treasury Department relating to such Federal income tax, the company itself assuming and paying to the government the normal tax imposed upon the holders of such obligations; where subsequent to the date when such interest became payable, but not less than 30 days prior to the first day of March in any year, such certificates shall be received by this company, the amount in such cases so retained will be paid.

Mr. Hamilton then gives a list of the bonds referred to, followed by a list that contains no clause or covenant to the effect that the interest will be paid without any deduction on account of any such tax. He explains that there being nothing to justify a different course, the company cannot assume the payment of the income tax of the holders of such last named obligations, and, in making interest payments on same, the paying agents will deduct and withhold therefrom the normal tax of 1 per cent, as required by the provisions of the law, unless and until proper certificates claiming exemption from the tax are presented in the form required by the regulations of the Treasury Department relating to the Federal income tax. No doubt this action on part of the Coast Line will form a precedent for other railroads in the South, as the Coast Line seems to have got at the bottom of the law.

Regular Interest Quarter

Jan. 1st-2nd

The PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

On the Corner of Front and Princess Streets

A Merry Christmas To All!

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

THE "MORNING AFTER" IN THE RECORDER'S COURT

Many Cases But None of Serious Nature—Mostly Drunks.

For the morning after the day when many people consider getting drunk the natural thing to do, the Recorder yesterday had a remarkably short docket. There were a number who drank too much and who fell by the wayside and were picked up by police The court was merciful and judgement was either suspended or a nol pros with leave taken except in the aggravated cases. But the few cases on the docket makes a fine showing for Wilmington. There were only 17 cases whereas in former years there have been from 40 to 50 cases.

C. W. Nixon, colored, charged with carrying concealed weapons, paid a fine of $25 and the costs. He was charged with assault with a deadly weapon but this was dismissed for want of evidence. Arthur Washington, colored, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was found not guilty. Fred Simpson, colored, charged with reckless ridding of a bicycle, was fined $5 and the costs. David Henry and John Innis, both white, were charged with an affray. Judgment was suspended in the case against Henry and Innis was declared not guilty. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs in cases against Hayes Johnson, colored, charged with carrying concealed weapons, and with firing a pistol in the city limits. Charles Rone, colored, paid $5 and the costs for an assault on a female. A nol pros with leave was taken in a case against T. B. Grimes, colored, charged with disorderly conduct. This was done at the request of the officer making the arrest.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

Where Religious Services Will be Conducted Tomorrow.

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor—Services on Sunday at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M., with preaching at both services by Dr. Wells. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor at 7:15 P. M. Prayer meeting at 8 P. M. Wednesday. You are invited to all these services.

Bethany Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor—Services tomorrow at 11 A. M. Sunday school at 3 P. M. Sunday school Christmas tree exercises Monday evening at 7:30 P. M. Visitors cordially welcome at all services.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor—Services tomorrow at 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Visitors cordially welcome to all services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor—Sabbath services, preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. by the pastor. Communion at the morning service. Sabbath school at 3:30 P. M. Christian Endeavor 7 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Seats free. All welcome.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor in charge—Sabbath school at 10:30 A. M. Preaching at 11:15 A. M. Christian Endeavor at 7:30 P. M. The public is cordially invited to all these services.

Harnett Street Mission, corner of Eighth and Harnett street, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist in charge—Sabbath school at 9:30 A. M.

Capt. Walker Remembered.

Passenger trainmen of the B. R. T. Local, No. 780, on Christmas Eve presented to Capt. John John M. Walker, assistant station master at the union station, with a handsome walking cane of ebony with a beautifully engraved gold head. The gift is greatly appreciated by Capt. Walker.

Mayor Receives Present.

The five members of the City Council Christmas Day presented to Mayor P. Q. Moore a handsome silver pitcher, as a token of their esteem and respect for him. Mayor Moore greatly appreciates the gift. Engraved on the pitcher is the following: "Mayor Parker Quince Moore from the City Council December 25th, 1913."

In lingerie the fish-tailed night gown is entirely new.

MRS. SUE A. COOPER DEAD

Aged Lady Died at the Home of Her Daughter, Mrs. W. M. Cumming

Many friends in the city were deeply grieved yesterday to learn of the death of Mrs. Sue A. Cooper, which occurred yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Cumming, No. 115 Church street. She was the widow of the late James E. Cooper, of Kentucky, who died 17 yeas ago. For several years she had been making her home with her son, Mr. Wm. S. Cooper, of Castle Haynes. She came to Wilmington a few days ago to visit her daughter and remained here until her death. She was 78 years old.

Surviving her besides her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Cumming, are two brothers, Messrs. Wm. S. Cooper, of Castle Haynes, and J. O. Cooper, of Midway, Ky., and one sister, Mrs. M. O. Callaway, mother of Mrs. A. D. McClure, of Wilmington, and Mrs W. S. Glenn, of Spartanburg, S. C. All of her other relatives live in Kentucky. The bereaved family will have the tender sympathy of a host of friends in their great sorrow.

The funeral will be held this morning from the residence of Mr. W. M. Cumming, No. 115 Church street, and will be conducted by Rev Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterion church. The interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

SUPERIOR COURT.

For Trial of Criminal and Civil Cases First Week in January.

The next term of Superior Court for New Hanover county will convene on Monday, January 5th, and will be in session for two weeks. The first week will be for the trial of criminal cases and the second week for the trial of civil cases. Judge Charles M. Louisburg, will preside.

Judge George Rountree, of this city, who has been holding court in this district since he was elevated to the bench six months ago will, beginning the first of the year, go to the ninth district and will hold courts in that district for the first six months of the year. His first court will be at Elizabethtown.

SUMMONS CAME SUDDENLY.

Mack MacRae, Colored, Died Yesterday While Driving His Dray.

As he was driving his dray along Front street at the intersection of Red Cross, Mack MacRae, colored, was seen to fall suddenly back on the vehicle apparently in a stupor yesterday morning, about 11 o'clock. W. H. Wooten, colored, another drayman, rushed to the wagon to see what was the matter and found that the old man was dead.

Coroner John J. Fowler was notified and made a thorough investigation of the circumstances. He was satisfied that death was due to natural causes and did not deem an inquest necessary. The body was taken to the home of MacRae at the corner of Eighth and Queen streets. It was stated by some of his companions that he had earlier in the morning had a hemorrhage while on the wharf with his wagon. But he did not stop work for perhaps he did not consider it serious. He was 55 years old and was a well known drayman of the city.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR SCHOOL.

Sidewalks and Fence Around Isaac Bear Memorial School Building

The County Board of Education at a recent meeting ordered that a fence and sidewalk be built around the Isaac Bear Memorial school building and also that the proper sewearage connections be made. Work will begin on these improvements within the next few days and it is hoped to have the fence and sidewalks completed by the time the school opens again on January 5th.

Playgrounds apparatus for this school, the gift of Mr. Sam. Bear, were recently installed and with the other improvements that will be made will andd much to the attractiveneess of the school premises.

Death of Young Child.

Many friends will sympathize tenderly with Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Merritt in the death of their infant which occurred Thursday afternoon at their home, No. 515 Bladen street. The remains were taken yesterday morning to Magnolia where the funeral and interment took place.

To Our Friends and Patrons

Allow us to extend to you and yours our most sincere wishes for a most delightful and enjoyable Christmas. May Old Santa remember you liberally and substantially, and may nothing mar the pleasures of this happy season. We hope the coming year holds many pleasures in store for you, and that all our relations, so cordial in the past, will be further cemented to our mutual benefit and esteem. Again wishing you the compliments of the season, we are, Sincerely Yours,

WM. E. SPRINGER & CO.

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SOCIETY

Mrs. Geo. H. Bellamy, Jr., has gone to Kernersville to visit her parents.

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Mr. James T. Barker, of Baltimore, is spending the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. R. C. Merritt, No. 115 North Fifth street.

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Mr. J. W. Moore returned yesterday morning to his home at Currie, after spending a few days here with relatives.

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Mr Alfred H. Yopp is spending the holidays in Augusta, Ga., as the guest of his sister, Mrs. Austin Best, 1221 Greene street.

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Miss Katherine Reilly left yesterday afternoon for Charlotte, where she will spend a few weeks as the guest of Mrs. John L. Scott.

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Mr. B. A. Thees left yesterday morning for Raleigh to resume his duties as physical director of the Y. M. C. A., after spending a few days here with his sister, Mrs. J. E. Platt.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Banks, of Fayetteville, have been spending the holidays in Wilmington with friends and relatives and have been cordialy greeted by a host of friends here.

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The Christmas meeting of the Literature Department of the North Carolina Sorosis will be held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of the chairman, No. 207 South Fourth street.

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Sheriff and Mrs. S. P. Cowan expect to leave today for Norfolk, Va., where they will spend a few days. Mrs. Cowan goes to visit relatives and the sheriff to attend to business matters.

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After spending several days here with relatives, Rev. and Mrs. John C. Wooten left yesterday morning for their new home in Raleigh. Mr. Wooten was formerly pastor of Grace Methodist church and has many friends here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Barnes, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hinnant, of this city, left yesterday morning for Fremont, where they will visit for a few days before returning to their home at Florence, S. C.

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Miss Catherine B. VonGlahn has returned from Clarksville, Tenn., where she attended the wedding of her brother, which was one of the big social events of the holidays in that town.

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Mrs. W. J. Martin, of Raleigh, is visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., at Greenville Sound. On Monday she will go to Sloop Point to visit relatives. Mr. Martin, who came with his wife to Wilmington to spend Christmas, left last night for the capital city. He is the Raleigh correspondent of The Morning Star and a long "string" of other papers in this and other states. Mr. Martin lived in this city for several years, a member of the staff of The Star for one period and of the Messenger for another.

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Friends of Mrs. W. C. Galloway will regret to know of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. G. W. Bass, of Rocky Mount, N C. Mrs. Bass came down to spend the holidays with her daughter and became suddenly ill Christmas morning. She was taken to the James Walker Memorial Hospital. Her condition is considered so serious that all of her children were notified and four of them came down to be with her. They are Lieutenant Governor E. L. Daughtridge, Mr. Paul Daughtridge, Mrs. R. G. Hart, of Rocky Mount, and Mrs. J. B. Farmer, of Wilson.

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DR. D. P. HIGH CLAIMS BRIDE IN PALMETTO STATE.

Friends in Wilmington have received attractive invitations reading as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. James Leonard Poag
announce the marriage of their
daughter
Jeannette Elizabeth
to
Dr. Daniel Pinckney High
on Wednesday, December the
twenty-fourth
nineteen hundred and thirteen
Lancaster, South Carolina
At Home
After January the first
Winter Park,
Wilmington, North Carolina.

The groom is a well known dentist of this city. His bride will receive a most cordial welcome to Wilmington.

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DELIGHTFUL MUSICALE GIVEN AT MEMORIAL HALL

One of the most delightful entertainments of the Christmas season was given last night in the Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church for the benefit of the Ladies' Auxiliary of James Walker Memorial Hospital. Considering the many other social attractions of the evening there was a splendid attendance and everyone present was well repaid for it was one of the most enjoyable musical events that have been given in the city this winter. Every number on the programme was given with the spirit and ease of an artist and proved that within the city is talent of the first order that will rank with the best to be found anywhere.

The audience expressed its pleasure by frequent applause. Those taking part were liberally encored. The music was both instrumental and vocal. Songs by several ladies' quartettes were especially pleasing. Interspersed with the music were several readings that lent a delightful variety to the programme.

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CHRISTMAS DANCE GIVEN AT THE GERMANIA CLUB.

One of the enjoyable social events of the season was the Christmas dance at the Germania Club, corner Front and Orange streets, last evening, which was attended by a large number of young people of the city. A delightful lunch was served at midnight. Music was furnished by the Johnson-Scelzi orchestra. Among those dancing were Miss Florence Wessell with Mr. C. J. Fick; Miss Marguerite Duls with Mr. F. D. Fick; Miss Cleone Pigford with Mr. N. V. Oldenbuttel; Miss Katherine Vollers with Mr. L. Hanson, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Struthers; Miss Mabel McEachern with Mr. J. G. Oldenbuttel; Miss Mearle McEachern with Mr. Henry Gerdes; Miss Lucile Polvogt with Mr. F. J. Duls; Miss Myrtle Vollers with Mr. LeRoy Polvogt; Miss Lillie M. Duls with Mr. Kenneth Otten; Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Banck, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wessell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Vollers; Miss Eloise Cheek with Mr. Will Bellois.

Stags—Messrs. L. W. Wessell, Arthur Struthers, Chas. Richter, C. B. Wessell and Herman Gerdes.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING SOLEMNIZED YESERDAY

A pretty home wedding of much interest to a wide circle of friends was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lane, No. 614 Orange street, at 12:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when Miss Nellie Louise Lane, their attractive daughter, and Mr. John Seldon Heery, of Savannah, Ga., plighted their troth, the impressive ceremony being performed by Rev. Miles Walton, of South Carolina, an uncle of the bride.

Miss Irene Lane, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mr. Charles Akerman, of Savannah, Ga., was best man. There were no other attendants. Following the ceremony there was a short informal reception, after which the brideal party went to the union station, whence the bride and groom departed on an afternoon train for the South. They will make their future home at Jacksonville, Fla.

The bride is a most charming young lady and her many Wilmington friends regret that she is to make her home elsewhere, but cherish the hope that she may return here frequently on visits. Mr. Heery is a popular young railroad man. Among the out-of-town guests here for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Heery, Sr., of Savannah, Ga.

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BEAUTIFUL HOME WEDDING SOLEMNIZED AT TARBORO.

Tarboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Cummings, Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock, there was solemnized a beautiful home wedding, when Miss Mary Annice Cummings became the bride of Mr. Thomas L. Collins, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. E. Ballou, pastor of the Howard Memorial Presbyterian church. Amid the profusion of Christmas decorations the bridal couple entered the parlor with Miss Aldine Rosenbaum playing Mendelssohn's wedding march. Just before the rendering of the wedding march, Miss Rosenbaum sang "I Love You Truly," and during the ceremony she played "Hearts and Flowers" with violin obligato by Mr. Paul McCabe.

The only attendant was Miss Annie Cummings, a sister of the bride, who was maid of honor. She wore white satin gown, and carried a bouquet of white carnations. The bride was gowned in Alice blue and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations.

Immediately following the wedding a reception was tendered the wedding party and their friends at the home of Mr. H. Latham Williams. Here the home was decorated with holly and Christmas bells, and in the receiving line were the bridal party and Mrs. Sam Carlisle.

The young couple will make their home in Tarboro, and the esteem in which they are held was attested by the large number of valuable and useful presents.

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BRILLIANT RECEPTION GIVEN IN GOLDSBORO

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—Not in the history of Goldsboro has there been a more enjoyed social occasion than the reception given Tuesday night by Col. and Mrs. John D. Langston at their beautiful home on Park Avenue, in celebration of their tenth wedding anniversery, and in complement to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lutes, whose tenth anniversary it was also. They were invited to receive with Col. and Mrs. Langston.

The following were in the receiving line: Col. and Mrs. Langston, Rev. and Mrs. G. D. Langston, father and mother of Col. Langston; Mrs. H. J. Elmore, of Rocky Mount, sister of Col. Langston; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lutes and Miss Lucy Hatch. The guests were met at the door by Miss Eunice Taylor with Mr. Matt. H. Allen, the law partner of Col. Langston, and by them presented to the receiving line. The guests were invited into the dining room by Mrs. Charles F. Taylor.

Here the decorations were exquisitely beautiful in red and green, the color scheme also being attractively carried out in the refreshments served. The center piece was red carnations and ferns with green and red maline festoons and ten red and green candles. Mrs. John Swisher poured coffee and Misses Amy Joseph, Ruth Griffin, Mary Moore Allen and Mrs. E. W. Moye served a salad course. From the dining room the guests were invited by Miss Viola Joseph into the library, where Mrs. W. H. Cobb, Jr., assisted by Miss Fisher Taylor served puch, each guest being given a tiny spoon as a souvenir. In this room, too, were displayed many useful and beautiful gifts.

In the hall Miss Margaret Exum rendered selections on the piano throughout the evening. In the parlor where the receiving line stood, the decorations were in white, narcissus and lillies of the valley being used with ten white lighted candles in silver candlesticks.

Mrs. Langston, the bride of ten years, wore her wedding dress, white chiffon and lace with rose bud trimmings, and looked very beautiful. Mrs. Langston, Sr., in black satin; Mrs. Elmore in black crepe meteor and fur trimmings; Mrs. Charles Lutes in pink satin with embroidered chiffon; Miss Lucy Hatch in pink charmeuse with jeweled trimmings and carrying pink LaFrance roses; Mrs. Charles Taylor and Mrs. E. W. Moye in lavender crepe de chine, Misses Eunice Taylor and Amy Joseph in white satin, Misses Mary Moore Allen, Ruth Griffin and Fisher Taylor in pink satin and chiffon with lace trimmings, Mrs. Swisher in black satin and Persian trimmings, and Miss Margaret Exum in canary catin with black lace trimmings.

LIFE-SAVERS' SERVICE.

Record for the Year Just Passing—Valuable Property Saved.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Out of a total of 1,743 casualties at sea during the fiscal year ending June 30th, last, the highest in the history of the life-saving service, only 69 vessels were lost and 73 persons were drowned, according to the annual report of S. I. Kimball, general superintendent of the service, made public today.

Through efforts of the service vessels and their cargoes, valued at $13,960,000 were saved. The crews of the service with the assistance of revenue cutters and wrecking vessels, assisted 1,364 vessels, valued with their cargoes at $6,032,935 and carrying 5,168 persons. The crews also warned 182 vessels that were running into danger, and extended aid to 288 vessels by furnishing emergency pilots, carrying persons to and from ships to shore, and caring for injured officers and men.

Of the total of accidents, small and undocumented motor boats comprise 68 per cent.

..Theatrical..

The vaudeville jubilee the Academy of Music is presenting this week, as a special Christmas season attraction, is proving immensely popular, as well as tremendously delightful.

Large audiences greeted the attraction yesterday and enjoyed each of the five star acts, while being greatly pleased with the feature films. The vaudeville bill is one of the best ever presented in Wilmington and is said to be the equal of any of the vaudeville acts that come over the Southern circuit. There is pleasing variety and novelty about the show, while it is decidedly wholesome. "Electro", the lady who defies electricity, comes in for big applause at each performance. Her act is away out of the ordinary and has to be seen to be appreciated. It is a real novelty in vaudeville.

Another "topliner" that is proving both novel and enjoyable is McNamree, the clay modeler. He tells a story in clay and is winning an abundance of applause at each performance. The other acts, singing and dancing, a rattling good sketch team and a clever musical duo, are all winners and help to make the bill something splendid in the way of vaudeville.

Two performances will be given today, a special matinee being offered for the benefit of the ladies and children. The doors will open at 2 o'clock and the performance will commence at 3. Popular prices are prevailing for the performance—10, 20 and 30 cents.

The Latest Tabloid Shows.

It is with much pleasure that the management of the Academy of Music announces a special and merry attraction for New Year's week, so as to meet the jolly requirements of the entire holiday season. All next week, commencing Monday, the Academy will offer the DuVal Musical Comedy Company, in tabloid musical shows. The tabloid show is now all the rage and the Academy deems itself fortunate in securing one of the best exponents of this popular type of performance. Musical comedy will be given by some clever people and the prices will be of the small order, being 10 and 25 cents. A matinee will be given daily.

In addition to the musical comedy four reels of films will be given at every performance, four of the latest films, which will make two big shows in one and which will, no doubt, be greatly appreciated by the people of Wilmington. This will be a festive attraction for the New Year week and the Academy will likely do a rushing business all next week.

At the Grand.

It is a show of not only superb film features, but a galaxy of moving picture favorites that the cozy, handsome Grand will set before the people of Wilmington today. The latest Vitagraph, a masterpiece of dramatic action, will head today's bill in "The Sale of a Heart." It is not only of interest because it is a Vitagraph, but because that charming and dashing young romantic actor, Maurice Costello, will appear in the stellar role. He will be supported by a capable cast of popular artists.

Another big favorite will also appear in Mr. G. M. Anderson, who will be seen in Essanay's latest, "Broncho Billy's First Arrest." It is the best yet of the "Broncho Billy" series and Mr. Anderson appears to big advantage. Edison also contributes largely to the bill today in presenting "A Pair of Foils." It is a story of stageland, one that will charm and fascinate. The same old price, 5 cents admission, is reigning for the weekend, whether afternoon or night, at the Grand.

Swell Offering at Bijou.

Four big reels of moving pictures, including the very freshest Bison feature, "The Girl and the Tiger," will make up today's swell week-end offering at the Bijou and add further to the gaiety of the holiday season. In addition to this quartet, representing what is biggest and greatest in moving pictures, the Bijou will offer a special programme by its magnificent and colossal electric piano and, of course, the solid comforts of the theatre and which are highly appreciated this kind of weather. The same old diminutive 5 cents, afternoon and night, holds forth.

The Bison feature today is "The Girl and the Tiger", and it is a sensational film story in three giant sized parts. It is a story of the soldiery in India, with a beautiful love theme, in which a young American enacts the principal role, running throughout.

The Keystone will furnish the main laugh producer today in "A Healthy Neighborhood," being the story of a doctor, who, unable to get patients, hires a chap to throw banana peels on the sidewalks. There is a big festive spirit permeating the Bijou these days, in true time with the yuletide idea, and is adding much to the holiday occasion for Wilmington amusement-lovers, and for the young folks home from college.

Received Too Much Whiskey.

E. W. Burnett, colored, who runs a store on Second street, between Market and Dock, was arrested yesterday afternoon by the police on a charge of violating the prohibition law. W. G. Hines, colored, who drives for Burnett, was also arrested on a similar charge. They gave bonds for their appearance before the Recorder this morning. At the police station there are eight packages, each supposed to contain a gallon of whiskey, which, it is alleged, Hines received from the express office and left at Burnett's store. The packages are all addressed to different persons on Second street, but it is alleged that the names are suspicious, or at least the police say that they have been unable to find the persons named at the addresses given on the boxes.

Norwood Hunter, colored, a driver for the Southern Express Company, was arrested yesterday afternoon in connection with the case. It is stated that he passed eight packages of booze to Hines on Nun street between Fifth and Sixth. It is stated further by the police that he signed up for the eight packages at the express office, which is a violation of the public laws of 1913, which requires a man getting whiskey to sign for himself. Hunter gave bond in the sum of $400 for his appearance before the Recorder this morning.

Chester, S. C., Dec. 26.—Authorities today are seeking Frank Grant, 17 years old, in connection with the killing today of Sidney J. Ferguson, a widely known farmer of this county. Ferguson was shot to death on his farm. Grant, who is the son of one of the murdered man's tenants, is said to have fled soon after the crime was committed.

DIED.

COOPER—In this city, Friday, December 26th, 1913, at 9 o'clock A. M., MRS. SUE A. COOPER, mother of Mrs. W. M. Cumming.

Funeral from residence, 115 Church street, this (Saturday) morning at 11 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend

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CREATED EXCITEMENT.

Two Business Men Have Dispute About Some Transaction.

Considerable excitement on Princess street, between Front and Second, was created yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock, when Mr. L. J. Hannah and Mr. E. A. Southerland had an encounter over some business transaction.

Several flows are said to have been passed before they were separated by friends. The news of the disturbance spread rapidly, and in a very short time several hundred people had assembled in that vicinity, including Chief of Police Williams and Policemen Wood and Newton.

When they had been separated Mr. Southerland and Mr. Bob Snead came near having another difficulty. Mr. Snead said that he had been acting in the capacity of peace-maker and that Mr. Southerland took exception to this. Policeman Wood arrested Mr. Southerland on a charge of disorderly conduct, and also swore out a warrant for Mr. Hannah's arrest, charging him with engaging in an affray. Both men were recognized for their appearance before the Recorder this morning. It was stated at the police station last night that a warrant had been sworn out charging Mr. Southerland also with engaging in an affray.

FUNERAL OF MRS. WARD.

Services From Masonboro Baptist Church Yesterday Morning.

The funeral of Mrs. Minnie Ward, whose death occurred Thursday morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. J. Padrick, on Masonboro Sound, was held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock from Masonboro Baptist church, conducted by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, of this city. The services were attended by many friends of the deceased. The interment was in the church graveyard. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Addison Hewlett, I. Farrow, John Donly, W. H. Lumsden, O. W. King and W. C. Cochraw.

GIANT AEROPLANE IS SUCCESS.

Cabins, With Sleeping Accommodations, Are Provided.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—A giant aeroplane, designed by Sikorsky, the Russian aviator, underwent a successful test here yesterday. The machine weighs three and a half tons, and is driven by four 100-horse power motors. Cabins, with sleeping accommodations, are provided for a number of persons. If the machine proves a success in future trials, it is the intention of the inventor to attempt a trip across the Atlantic.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Sallie R. Hall to John G. Kuhlken, for $100 and other considerations, lot on north side of Taylor street, 30 feet west of Eighth, 30x150 feet in size; Geo. O. Gaylord to Warren M. Murrell, for $1,000 and other considerations, lot on northwest corner of Third and Marsteller streets.

—Workmen were busy yesterday removing from the general offices in this city the black and white bunting which draped the building of the Atlantic Coast Line for the past 30 days in honor of the memory of the late President T. M. Emerson. A. C. L. buildings in other cities were also draped for a period of 30 days.

—At the Advent Christian Church, Fourth and Church streets, Thursday night, interesting Christmas exercises were held. Mr. W. J. Reaves, superintendent of the Sunday School, made a most interesting address and there were a number of musical selections and recitations, following which gifts were distributed to the children.

—It was announced yesterdty, following a meeting of the architect, Mr. Kenneth M. Murchison, with officials of the institution, that the contract for the erection of the handsome new 10-story office and bank building to be erected by the Murchison National Bank, would not be awarded until after January 1st. Earlier in the week it was thought that the award would be made today.

FATALLY SHOT THROUGH A WINDOW AT NIGHT

Slayer of Rufus Wilson, Colored, Not Yet Apprehended.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 26.—The slayer of Rufus Wilson, the 17-year-old negro boy who was found Christmas night in a semi-conscious condition and who died today, has not been found. Coroner Stansbury did not have sufficient evidence to place before a jury.

Wilson, with three other negroes, was in a room when he fell to the floor exclaiming "I's shot"

The bullet came through a widow, but no one so far as the authorities can learn saw it fired. The shooting was near the place where W. H. Tucker, a while man, was killed ten months ago by John Fogleman.

For the woman of mature years, the long coat of velvet is in very good style.

DO YOU PATRONIZE HOME INDUSTRIES?

Those of you who have been making your purchases away from Wilmington should think before patronizing mail order and houses away from home any further.

Who sympathized with you when your little girl was sick? Was it the mail order house?

Who carried you last winter when you were out of a job and had no money? Was it the mail order house or was it your home merchant?

When you want to raise money for the church or for some needy person in town, do you write to the mail order house, or do you go to your home merchant?

How much does the mail order house give towards keeping up sidewalks or paying the minister's salary?

When you were sick how many nights did the mail order house sit up with you?

When you had to raise money to pay your gas bill, did you get it from the mail order house or a home merchant or contractor?

When your loved one was buried, was it your home merchant who dropped the tear of sympathy and uttered the cheering word, or was it the mail order house?

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON MARKET QUIET

But Showed Traces of Continued Nervousness—Close Was Steady, Several Points Lower.

New York, Dec. 26.—The cotton market was quiet today but showed traces of continued nervousness. Prices eased off to within 10 or 11 points of Monday's low level during the early afternoon, but rallies of several points followed on covering and Wall street buying and the close was steady 1 to 5 points net lower.

As Liverpool will remain closed until Monday morning, there were no cables to influence trading. The opening was steady 1 to 4 points lower, under a little scattered selling. A rally of one to four points quickly followed on covering but there was no indication of trade support or of any aggressive buying, and prices soon weakened in sympathy with an easier turn in New Orleans, which was attributed to the circulation of January notices.

After selling about 6 to 7 points lower, there were slight rallies, but the market remained without any evidences of important demand and prices weakened again during the early afternoon under selling by houses with western connections. The decline was checked around 12.11 for March, and prices later rallied 8 or 9 points from the lowest on covering and little trade buying.

Very little news came from the South. The first January notices day in New York will be next Tuesday and it is expected that the bulk of the local stock will be tendered. Rather a more optimistic tone in financial circles and somewhat improved foreign trade advices inspired some buying on the late rally.

Spot quiet; middling uplands 12.60; gulf 12.85. No sales.

Cotton futures.

Futures closed as follows:

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	12.10	12.10	12.01	12.09
Jan	11.91	11.94	11.84	11.93
Feb	12.00	.....	.....	12.00
Mar	12.18	12.21	12.11	12.20
April	.....	.....	.....	12.14
May	12.15	12.17	12.07	12.16
June	.....	.....	.....	12.16
July	12.16	12.18	12.08	12.16
Aug	11.90	11.90	11.95	11.98
Sept	11.67	..6.	.....	11.70
Oct	11.55	11.60	11.50	11.57

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 12⅝; net receipts, 9,559; gross receipts, 9,559; sales, 17; stock, 225,325; Great Britain, 22,307; continent, 8,322; coastwise, 6,330.

New Orleans—Quiet, 12 11-16; net receipts, 6,016; gross receipts, 6,016; sales, 868; stock, 283,072; Great Britain, 11,800; continent, 1,648.

Mobile—Quiet, 12⅝; net receipts, 1,697; gross receipts, 1,697; sales, 25; stock, 58,541.

Savannah—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 8,228; gross receipts, 8,228; sales, 706; stock, 151,206; continent, 8,150; coastwise, 2,704.

Charleston—Quiet, 12½; net receipts, 2,416; gross receipts, 2,416; stock, 72,239; coastwise, 225.

Wilmington—Nominal, 12⅛; net receipts, 771; gross receipts, 771; stock, 32,094.

Norfolk—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 4,061; gross receipts, 4,061; sales, 1,382; stock, 64,981; coastwise, 2,907.

Baltimore—Nominal, 12⅝; net receipts, 2,787; gross receipts, 2,787; stock, 5,372.

New York—Quiet, 12.60; stock, 40,546; Great Britain, 6,100; France, 88,272; coastwise, 973.

Boston—Quiet, 12.60; stock, 4,788.

Philadelphia—Steady, 12.85; gross receipts, 133; stock, 3,620.

Texas City—Net receipts, 1,713; gross receipts, 1,713; stock, 21,781; Great Britain, 14,564.

Brunswick—Net receipts, 3,998; gross receipts, 3,998; stock, 24,701; coastwise, 150.

Newport News—Net receipts, 5,112; gross receipts, 5,112; coastwise, 5,112.

Aransas Pass—Stock, 2,779.

Jacksonville—Stock, 2,645.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 46,358; Great Britain, 48,671; continent, 16,472; stock, 1,046,122.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 320,712; Great Britain, 86,861; France, 32,383; continent, 122,051; Japan, 12,472; Mexico, 134.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,618,332; Great Britain, 1,779,757; France, 752,193; continent, 2,212,619; Japan, 193,700; Mexico, 19,034.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 12⅝; net receipts, 3,583; gross receipts, 3,583; shipments, 1,901; sales, 1,788; stock, 175,810.

Augusta—Two days—Steady, 12⅛; net receipts, 2,336; gross receipts, 2,336; shipments, 1,145; sales, 375; stock, 91,427.

Memphis—Quiet, 13¼; net receipts, 2,124; gross receipts, 3,936; shipments, 3,250; sales, 2,450; stock, 260,750.

St. Louis—Two days—Dull, 13.00; net receipts, 816; gross receipts, 1,786; shipments, 1,732; sales, 200; stock, 26,603.

Cincinnati—Dull; net receipts, 1,704; gross receipts, 1,704; shipments, 1,520; stock, 19,449.

Little Rock—Quiet, 12⅝; net receipts, 1,628; gross receipts, 1,628; shipments, 1,721; stock, 56,420.

Louisville—Firm, 13⅛; net receipts, 468; gross receipts, 468; shipments, 800; sales, 358; stock, 220.

Total today—Net receipts, 12,630; gross receipts, 15,461; shipments, 12,081; sales, 5,171; stock, 630,775.

COTTON RECEIPTS.

New York, Dec. 26.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston	1,999,119
New Orleans	956,517
Mobile	285,710
Savannah	1,354,264
Charleston	379,217
Wilmington	324,095
Norfolk	353,731
Baltimore	64,889
New York	2,332
Boston	8,160
Newport News	37,521
Philadelphia	128
San Francisco	113,248
Brunswick	221,258
Pensacola	110,802
Port Arthur and Sabine Pass	20,286
Jacksonville	23,136
Texas City	271,453
Tacoma	22,602
Aransas Pass	83,464
Seattle	28,265
Minor Ports	2,471
Total bales	6,618,332

WORLD'S VISIBLE SUPPLY.

Of Cotton This Year Exceeds Last Year's Report.

New Orleans, Dec. 26.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton issued today shows the total visible to be 5,905,614 against 5,792,245 last week and 6,293,004 last year. Of this the total of American is 4,425,615 against 4,336,245 last week and 5,129,004 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,480,000 against 1,456,000 last week and 1,164,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and Continental Europe 2,966,000 against 3,389,000 last year; in Egypt 378,000 against 333,000 last year; in India 616,000 against 425,000 last year, and in the United States 1,946,000 against 2,119,000 last year.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 26.—Call money, firm, at 3@4; ruling rate, 4; closing, 3@3¼. Time loans, weaker; sixty and ninety days, 4¾@5; six months, 4½@5. Mercantile paper, 3½@6. Sterling exchange, easy; sixty days, 4.8085; demand, 4.85. Commercial bills, 4.80¼. Bar silver, 57½. Mexican dollars, 44½.

WEEKLY COTTON REPORT

Another Extremely Nervous and Unsettled Week in Cotton—Prices in New Low Ground.

New York, Dec. 26.—Cotton market has had another extremely nervous and unsettled week. The heavy selling movement, which developed shortly after the publication of the government's report in December 17th became even more urgent, when the report of the census bureau was issued last Saturday, showing 12,923,000 bales of cotton ginned to December 13th. Prices broke into new low ground for the season and before the decline was checked by trade buying or covering for over Christmas, January contracts sold more than two cents a pound below the high level of last October. Fluctuations since then have been more or less irregular. It is quite generally estimated in local circles that no less than 300,000 or possibly 500,000 bales in the shape of contracts held either speculatively or as a hedge against forward requirements, were liquidated on the last half cent of the decline, and with the market relieved from the pressure of this cotton some reactionary if not actually more bullish sentiment has developed. This has been encouraged by the rather more optimistic feeling reported in financial circles and talk of improving trade conditions abroad as wel as by an idea that the technical position of the market had improved on the break of 12 cents for spring periods. Covering has also been promoted by reports of relatively steady interior spot markets, but business has shown a tendency to taper off on rallies of 30 or 35 points from the low level of the week and more bullish features noted ,appear to have checked the selling movement rather than to have inspired any general or aggressive demand. A good deal of the buying on the decline is supposed to have come from some of the larger international houses and to have represented a reduction in big straddle lines between New York and Liverpool. There also has been some covering by active shorts and some demand has been reported by spinners fixing prices. Generad sentiment as generally reflected around the local ring, however, remains more or less unsettled. There has been evidently less disposition to prefix further immediate declines after the drastic liquidation and, in view of the relatively steady spot markets, big ginning figures have encouraged the larger estimates of the crop and many operators are now awaiting further developments in that connection.

DUN'S WEEKLY REPORT.

Continued Absence of Actively In Business Circles.

New York, Dec. 26.—Dun's Review tomorrow will say:

Aside from the stimulus imparted to retail lines by the holiday demands there has been a continued absence of activity in business circles. Improvement in conditions however, is scarcely to be expected at this period when merchants and manufacturers are preparing for annual inventories and salesmen are returning from the road.

The quietness customary at the year end is accentuated by an unusually mild winter; yet a rather more hopeful sentiment prevails and confidence is strengthened by the removal of the uncertainty regarding the currency legislation. Some encouragement is derived from that fact that stocks of merchandise are meagre at practically all points, since this suggests that an early buying movement may become necessary to replenish depleted supplies. The labor situation reflects further additions to the number of idle men.

Failures this week number 289 in the United States against 266 last year and 26 in Canada compared with 25 a year ago."

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

New York, Dec. 26.—For the week ending Friday, December 26, 1913:

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week, 326,712.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports during week, 320,712.

Net receipts at all U. S. ports same week last year, 268,205.

Total receipts since September 1st, 6,618,832.

Total receipts to same date last year, 6,891,150.

Exports for the week, 254,441.

Exports for same week last year, 193,450.

Total exports since September 1st, 4,957,303.

Total exports same date last year, 5,041,476.

Stock at all United States ports, 1,046,122.

Stock at all United States ports same time last year, 1,305,518.

Stock at all interior towns, 937,382.

Stock at all interior thowns same time last year, 829,964.

Stock at Liverpool, 911,000.

Stock at Liverpool same time last year, 1,240,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain, 261,000.

Stock of American afloat for Great Britain same time last year, 432,000.

WHEAT PROSPECTS TOO GOOD.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Winter crop prospects, believed by some observers to be the best ever known, carried wheat prices today to a lower level. The market closed heavy, at a decline of ⅝ to ⅞@¼ net. Other leading staples, too, finished at a loss. Corn, down ½ to ⅝@⅞. Oats, ¼@¼ to ½, and provisions, 2½@5 to 12½.

Futures closed:

Wheat—May, 90½; July, 86⅝.

Corn—December, 68½; May, 68½.

Oats—May, 41; July, 40¼.

Pork—January, 20.32½; May, 20.77½.

Lard—January, 10.62½; May, 10.97½.

Ribs—January, 10.72½; May, 11.02½.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 95@96; No. 2, hard, 88½@89; No. 2, Northern, 89¼@90¾; No. 2, Spring, 89@90.

Corn—New, No. 2, 66@69¾; No. 2, white, 69@69¾; No. 2, yellow, 69¾.

Oats—Standard, 39½@40½.

WHEN CROUP COMES TREAT EXTERNALLY.

The old system of dosing delicate little stomachs with nauseous drugs and opium syrups is wrong and harmful. Try the external treatment—Vick's "Vap-O-Rub" Croup and Pneumonia Salve. Just rub a little over throat and chest and cover with a warm flannel cloth. The warmth of the body releases vapors of Pine Tar, Menthol, Thymol and Eucalyptol, that loosen the choking phlegm and ease the difficult breathing immediately. One application at bedtime insures a sound night's sleep. Vick's is better than internal medicines for all forms of cold troubles. Three sizes—25c, 50c and $1.00.

(advertisement.)

RISE IN STOCKS CONTINUES

The Market Failed, However, to Show the Sustaining Strength of Recent Days.

New York, Dec. 26.—The rise in stocks was carried futher today with Reading again the central figures. The market failed, however, to show the sustained strength of recent days. Offerings were heavier and quotations revealed few important alterations at the close of the day.

On the early advance there was keen bidding for the popular stocks, with increased outside buying. The rise was utilized for realizing. There was no departure from the more cheerful point of view recently adopted but professional traders were less inclined to undertake aggressive operations on the long side.

The rise in reading was associated with further reports that a segregation plan was under consideration to bring the company into line with the government's requirements. Denial of this put a damper on bullish speculation in Reading and its recession was influential in bearing down the whole list.

The coppers were helped by reports of better metal prices. New Haven was consistently strong and crossed 75, a rally of nearly 10 points from the recent low price.

With the approach of the year-end there was a stiffening of call money, but the rate did not rise above four per cent. The week's currency movements indicated a gain in cash by the banks of $2,000,000 or more.

Bonds were active and generally higher. Total sales, par value $2,814,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total stock sales 485,200 including: Amalgamated Copper 47,600; American Tobacco 300; A. C. L. 200; C. & O. 3,400; Lehigh Valley 10,500; L. & N. 100; N. & W. 3,200; Reading 130,700; Sal preferred 100; Southern railway preferred 200 Tennessee Copper 1,000; Union Pacific 35,200; United States Steel 89,000.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	74¾
American Agricultural	45
American Beet Sugar	23½
American Can	30⅜
American Can, pfd	90
American Car nad Foundry	44½
American Cotton Oil	37
American Ice Securities	23⅜
American Linseed	10
American Locomotive	30⅜
Amer. Smelting and Ref	64⅜
Amer. Smelting and Ref., pfd	98½
American Sugar Ref	107
American Tel and Tel	125⅜
American Tobacco	247
Anaconda Mining Co	35½
Atchison	94½
Atchison, pfd	99
Atlantic Coast Line	116
Baltimore and Ohio	92⅜
Bethlehem Steel	30¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	88
Canadian Pacific	210⅜
Central Leather	27
Chesapeake nad Ohio	61¼
Chicago Great Western	11⅞
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	100⅝
Chicago and North Western	120
Colorado Fuel and Iron	28⅜
Consolidated Gas	130⅜
Coru Products	9½
Delaware and Hudson	159
Denver and Rio Grande	15⅜
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	24½
Distillers' Securities	18
Erie	28⅜
Erie, 1st pfd	44⅜
Erie, 2nd pfd	35½
General Electric	140½
Great Northern, pfd	127¾
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	34⅜
Illinois Central	108
Interborough-Met	15⅜
Interborough-Met., pfd	61⅜
Inter Harvester	102
Inter-Marine, pfd	13⅞
International Paper	8½
International Pump	40
Kansas City Southern	24½
Laclede Gas	93
Lehigh Valley ex. div	151½
Louisville and Nashville	135
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	120⅜
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	19⅜
Missouri Pacific	22½
National Biscuit ex. div	121
National Lead	44
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	88
New York Central	92½
New York, Ont. and Western	26¾
Norfolk and Western	101¾
North American	67
Northern Pacific	110⅜
Pacific Mail	24½
Pennsylvania	109¾
People's Gas	121
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	84
Pittsburg Coal	18
Pressed Steel Car	26⅜
Pullman Palace Car	151½
Reading	170
Republic Iron and Steel	20
Republic Iron and Steel, pfd	80⅜
Rock Island Co.	13¾
Rock Island Co., pfd	30⅜
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	7¼
Seaboard Air Line	17
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	45½
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	28
Southern Pacific	80⅞
Southern Railway	22
Southern Railway, pfd	76½
Tennessee Copper	30⅞
Texas and Pacific	12⅜
Union Pacific	156⅛
Union Pacific, pfd	85
United States Realty	53
United States Rubber	53½
United States Steel	60⅛
United States Steel, pfd	109½
Utah Copper	50
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	27½
Wabash	3⅜
Wabash, pfd	6
Western Maryland	34½
Western Union	57½
Westinghouse Electric	65⅜
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4⅝
New Haven	75½
L. and M	217
L. and M., pfd	110¾
Lorillard	162
Lorillard, pfd	110

NEW YOR PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 26.—Wheat—Firm. No 2 red, 99½@1.01; No. 1, Northern Duluth, 99.

Corn—Easy, 72⅝.

Hides—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Steady.

Leather—Firm.

Rice—Quiet.

Butter—Steady.

Cheese—Firm.

Sugar—Holiday.

Coffee—Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 9⅝; Santos, No. 4, 12¾; mild, dull; Cordova, 13@16¾.

Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.

Peanuts—Steady nad unchanged.

Freights—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbages—Steady and unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Quiet today with the current delivery higher on covering of eleventh-hour shorts, while the balance of the list was lower, under scattered local selling and lack of outside support. December closed six points net higher and other positions 2 to 3 points net lower. Sales, 3,000 barrels. Prime crude, 5.40@5.47; prime Summer yellow, 6.70; December, 6.74; January, 6.67; February, 6.82; March, 6.94; April 7.05; May, 7.15; June, 7.20; July, 7.25.

Prime Winter yellow, 7.25 bid; prime Summer white, 7.00 bid.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, Dec. 26.—Rosin—Quiet. Turpentine, quiet.

Savannah, Dec. 26.—Turpentine, firm, at 42¼. Sales, 175; receipts, 487; shipments, 182; stocks, 28,038.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 2,278; receipts, 2,452; shipments, 581; stocks, 138,810. Quote: A, B, C, D, 3.75; E, 3.70 to 3.80; F, 3.70 to 3.75; G, 3.67½ to 3.75; H, 3.72½ to 3.75; I, 3.92½ to 3.95; K, 4.55; M, 5.35; N, 6.25; W G, 6.95; W W, 6.80 to 6.85.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Cherokee, Devereaux, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent (arrived 25th).

Str. Sliedrecht (Dutch), Tenesma, 1,951 tons, Rotterdam, Heide & Co. (arrived 25th).

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Sliedrecht (Dutch), Tenesma, 1,951 tons, Heide & Co.

Str. Fernandina (Br.), 1,146 tons, Anderson, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Upon (Swedish), 1,625 tons, Sandberg, Heide & Co.

Str. Joachim Zelch, 1,311 tons, Wels, Heide & Co.

Str. Gascony (Br.), 1,942 tons, Taylor; Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Schr. Joel Cook, 319 tons, Ray, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Benjamin F. Poole, 1,099 tons, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Louis F., 237 tons, Albury, Mafflitt & Wood.

Schr. Blanche H. King, 1,021 tons, Williams; Mafflitt & Wood.

Barges.

Barge Mattie L. Johnson, 574 tons, Johnson, Mafflitt & Wood.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, at 41½ cents per gallon.

ROSIN—Steady, $3.45.

TAR — Firm, at $2.50 per barrel; in casks, 10c. per gallon.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Firm, $2.00 per barrel for hard; $3.00 per barrel for dip and $3.00 per barrel for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 36¾c.; rosin, $5.25; tar, $2.20; crude turpentine, firm, at $3.25@$4.25 to $4.25.

Receipts.

Spirits Turpentine	4
Rosin	34
Tar	32
Crude Turpentine	23

Receipts same day last year — Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 24 barrels; crude turpentine, 1 barrel.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Spot, nominal; for middling. Same day last year, nominal.

Receipts, 1,671. Same day last year, 1,196 bales.

Total receipts, since Sept. 1, 325,044 bales.

Total receipts same time last year, 271,887 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 20.)

CORN—$1.90 to $1.95 per sack.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, $1.00 per bu. Sweet potatoes, new, 60 to 70c. Very dull.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bushel; good demand.

BEEF—Native, dressed, very dull, 6 to 8c.

PORK—Small, 9@11c.

WOOL—Burry, 11 to 12c. per lb.; free 17c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 12c.; dry flints, 14@16c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Old hams, 25c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 16c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per lb.

TALLOW—Firm, 4½@5c. per lb.

POULTRY — Chickens, good demand. Grown, 40 to 45c.; Spring chickens, 15@35c. per head.

EGGS—30c. per doz.; good demand.

TURKEYS—Live, on foot, 18c per lb.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at the Port.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 26.

Atlantic Coast Line—1,392 bales cotton.

Seaboard Air Line—279 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—2 casks spirits turpentine; 24 barrels rosin; 23 barrels crude turpentine.

Str. Thelma—2 casks spirits turpentine; 32 barrels tar.

Total—1,671 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 34 barrels rosin; 32 barrels tar; 23 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 20.

Market—Weaker on Virginias. Stronger on Spanish and North Carolinas.

North Carolinas—No. 1, Machine-Picked, 1.05.

Spanish—No1, Machine-Picked, 1.15.

Virginias—No. 1, Machine-Picked, 66c.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 18th, 1913.—Spanish—Farmers' Spanish, firm, at $1.20 per bushel.

Virginias—Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c to 4c per lb.; Fancy Handpicked, 3½c per lb. Extra Prime, 3¼c per lb. Prime, 3c. per lb. Shelling Stock, 2c to 3c per lb.

SEC. HESTER'S REPORT.

Weekly Cotton Statement for New Orleans Exchange.

New Orleans, Dec. 26.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans cotton exchange statement, issued today, shows for the 26 days of December an increase in the totals over last year of 39,000.

For the 117 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the 117 days of last year 102,000.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 513,619 bales against 445,329 for the seven days ending this date last year, and for the 26 days of December it has been 2,029,259 against 2,029,220 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 6,620,278 against 6,897,207 last year. Overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 533,477 against 565,100 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 806,494 against 734,407 last year; Southern mills takings 1,526,000 against 1,187,126 last year.

Total movement for the 117 days of the season from September 1st to date 9,486,249 against 8,384,140 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 252,406 against 232,537 last year, making the total thus far for the season 4,996,973 against 5,088,779 last year.

Total takings of American mills, North, South, and Canada, thus far for the season have been 2,870,351 against 2,557,561 last year. Stocks at the seaboard and the 29 leading Southern interior centers have increased during the week 71,729 bales against an increase during the corresponding period last season of 15,926 and are now 157,294 smaller than at this date in 1912.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far from the new crop, the supply to date is 9,812,666 against 9,748,853 for the same period last year.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 26.—Cotton goods and yarn markets were quite and steady today with moderate amount of trading reported in small lots of gray goods. Foreign wool markets were quiet. Argentine wools were quoted 1-2c a pound higher than last week.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—It was announced today that Jay Gould, of New York, and George F. Covey, of England, will play a recquet match for the open championship of the world here next March. Gould is the amateur champion of the world and Covey holds the world's professional championship.

Persian customs returns for the first six months of the present fisc l year show a total increase of $350,000, or 10 per cent. over the corresponding period last night.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

December 27, 1913.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 42 degrees; at 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 52 degrees; minimum, 42 degrees; mean, 47 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, to date, 3.13.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 16.5 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Fair and colder Saturday; Sunday increasing cloudiness; probably followed by rain in west portion; moderate northwest winds.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 27.

Sun rises	7:16 A. M.
Sun sets	5:10 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 54 min.

Tides.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water A.M.	Low water P.M.
Wilmington	9:35	9:43	4:21	4:57
Southport	7:27	7:49	1:06	2:09
Masonboro Inlet	7:16	7:33	12:46	1:43

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 26, 1913.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Temperature: Lowest Last Night.	Precipitation, 8 P. M
Abilene	clear	52	28	.0
Asheville	cloudy	34	30	.14
Atlanta	cloudy	36	34	.0
Augusta	clear	48	40	.0
Birmingham	cloudy	36	34	.0
Boston	cloudy	42	34	1.00
Charleston	clear	48	42	.0
Charlotte	clear	46	36	.0
Chicago	cloudy	32	28	.0
Galveston	clear	52	38	.0
Jacksonville	clear	52	44	.0
Memphis	cloudy	36	30	.0
Mobile	clear	48	40	.0
Montgomery	cloudy	40	38	.0
New Orleans	clear	48	40	.0
New York	cloudy	42	34	.00
Oklahoma	cloudy	38	16	.0
Palestine	clear	48	28	.0
Pittsburg	cloudy	30	30	.90
Raleigh	clear	48	38	.02
Savannah	pt cldy	46	42	.0
Shreveport	clear	46	28	.0
St. Louis	cloudy	34	28	.02
Washington	clear	40	34	.24

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W. J. CRAIG,
Passenger Traffic Manager,
Wilmington, N. C.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY of New Hanover.—In the Superior Court, October Term, A. D. 1913.

M. W. Divine, M. J. Corbett and C. C. Chadbourn, vs. Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company—Advertisement.

Whereas, at the October Term, A. D. 1913, of the Superior Court of New Hanover County, in a cause pending wherein M. W. Divine, M. J. Corbett and C. C. Chadbourn were plaintiffs and Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company defendants, a judgment or decree was entered in said cause, appointing the undersigned Commissioner, and in and by said decree the undersigned, as Commissioner, was authorized and directed, after advertising the same for thirty days, to sell at public auction the following described property, to-wit: Six Hundred (600) Shares of the Capital Stock of the Ocean Fisheries Company and the indebtedness due by the Ocean Fisheries Company, amounting to the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand, One Hundred and Four and 93-100 ($26,104.93) Dollars to the Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company, together with the rights of the Carter's Creek Fish Guano Company against the Ocean Fisheries Company, on said indebtedness;

Now, Therefore, in pursuance to the said decree, the undersigned Commissioner will, on Tuesday, the 30th day of December, A. D. 1913, at 12 o'clock M., on said day, at the Court House door, expose for sale by public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, the above-described property.

E. R. BRYAN,
Commissioner.

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SEVERE STORM ON ATLANTIC

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in the region idle as the result of cold and snow.

On Pacific Coast.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 26.—The highest tide of the year topped by huge breakers that rolled far inside the high water mark carried away and wrecked dozens of launches and yachts anchored off the beach at Venice, a seaside resort, today, swept three oceaen front residences from their foundations and destroyed aan automobile road.

Much damage was wrought all along the shore from Venice north to Santa Monica canyon.

A hundred miles of beach, from Long Beach to Santa Barbara showed the effects tonight of a high tide, combined with great swells which swept in early today.

The Malibu Highlands above Los Angeles and other cliffs were unaffected, but miles of streets on the low beaches in the summer towns west of Los Angeles were inundated.

In today's flood tide 200 feet of sea wall was taken out at Santa Barbara, the Winter home of many wealthy Easterners, and the Ocean boulevard was piled with sand. At Venice the houses along the beach were held in line with ropes. At Santa Monica the sea climbed over a road well above the usual high tide.

The force of the tide and waves scoured out the beach for rods, and heaped it with wreckage.

Twenty-Foot Breakers.

Ocean Park, Cal., Dec. 26.—Twenty-foot breakers tumbled in on the crest of the season's highest tide, broke over bulkheads guarding the strand and nearly drowned between 30 and 40 men and women who were breakfasting in the basement grill of a fashionable hotel. The waves swept over all barriers, smashing in the windows, and fell upon the guests at the table. A few minutes later there was several feet of water in the grill.

Seven blocks of the cement shore line bulkhead were washed out.

No Trace of Men.

New York, Dec. 26.—All doubt as to the fate of the crews of the wrecked barges was removed late tonight when the revenue cutters Seneca and Onondaga, which were rushed to the scene early today, reported that no trace of the men had been found. Life savers on shore had not been able to reach the wrecks, but they declared it was out of the question that any of those who had been on board could have lived in such a sea as prevailed all day.

At Seabright fear was expressed that another rise of the sea at high tide tonight might work further havoc. Mayor George W. Elliott said "unless the wind shifts or the storm abates great damage is threatened."

About $100,000 damage has been done to Pound Fishing industry along the New Jersey coast for some distance south from Sandy Hook. At Arverne, the water swept in and flooded cottages and the owners tonight prepared to move out should the rise continue.

VISIT OLD FABER PLACE.

President Kenly, of the Coast Line, Hopes to See It.

(Charleston Evening Post.)

In response to a congratulatory note on his recent promotion, coupled with an invitation to attend the housewarming of the new A. C. Kaufman Country Home on the old Faber place, Ashley river, in the Spring of 1914, President J. R. Kenly, the recently-elected chief executive of that great system, the Atlantic Coast Line, has sent the following warm letter:

Atlantic Coast Line, Wilmington, N. C., December 22, 1913.

Mr. A. C. Kaufman, Charleston, S. C.:

My dear Mr. Kaufman—Your letter of the 19th has been received and I very much appreciate the friendly way in which you have referred to my new position.

It will give me great pleasure at some convenient time to visit your new house. I hope I may have the pleasure of meeting you in Charleston in the near future and arrange for my visit. With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours, J. R. KENLY.

Mr. Kaufman is arranging to provide a special social entertainment to about a dozen prominent railroad officers. The railroad spur track to the picnic and pleasure grounds of the old Faber place is a wing of and owned by the Atlantic Coast Line. President Kenly and General Manager W. N. Royall, of this road, will be guests of honor on this occasion.

BARNWELL, S. C., MAN KILLED BY A WOMAN.

Angus Main, Prominent Farmer, Shot Christmas Eve.

Allendale, S. C., Dec. 26.—News of the killing of Angus Main in the section of Barnwell county known as Mixson Corner, reached here today. No particulars are obtained except that he was shot by a woman by the name of Mixson about 10 o'clock last night while on his way home from Fairfax. It is alleged Main is a young married man of good standing, a farmer living about seven miles from Fairfax. He leaves a wife and five children.

TO BOOST PACIFIC COAST.

London Times on December 31 to Publish Fifty-Page Supplement.

London, Dec. 26. — The Times has announced that on December 31 it will publish a special fifty-page supplement dealing with the people in the Pacific Coast States of North America. The number has been prepared in view of the attention now focused on that portion of the world in connection with the opening of the Panama Canal. The supplement will contain full accounts of the industrial and commercial developments of the Pacific Coast, as well as an outline of the social conditions now existing there, and a forecast of what effect the canal will have upon this.

FINANCIER MISSING.

New Orleans Real Estote Man—Foul Play Feared.

New Orleans, Ded. 26.—Official congnizance of the disappearance of T. Walter Danziger, liquidator for the Teutonia Bank and Trust Co., today was taken by State officers when State bank examiner and Governor Hall came here to investigate his accounts. The missing man's business associates state that they have not seen him since last Tuesday morning. Danziger's young wife expresses the belief that he has been killed. He is bonded for $125,000.

Copper Hill, Tenn., Dec. 26.—Grant Hilton a fireman and J. W. Montgomery, a machinist, were killed near here this morning when the Louisville and Nashville freigt ngine in wich thy were riding was derailed and overturned. Hilton's home was near Sopper Hill. Montgomery lived at Culberson, N. C.

Dancing Pumps for Holidays at Peterson & Rulfs. de 25-28
(advertisement.)

ANNOUNCE PLANS

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The purpose of the committee is to go about the work in a thoroughly practical and business-like way to accomplish it at the earliest possible moment, but without undue haste and only after full consideration of the needs of every section of the country.

"The committee will, from time to time, make announcements concerning its procedure."

Applications for membership in the new system poured in with the regularity of clock ticks today. The estimate tonight was that close to 1,000 banks and trust companies have applied for membership. There are few sections and fewer large cities that have not at least one representative in the long list. If the estimate is correct, nearly one-seventh of the National banks have asked to become members. Secretary McAdoo was well pleased tonight with this response.

New Applicans today included Hampton, Va.; Columbia, S. C.; Florence, S. C.; Lancaster, S. C.; Salisbury, N. C.; Richmond, Va.; Etowah, Tenn., and Alexandria, Va.

ALL NON-UNION AID

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there was no visible demonstration of force or coercion.

Moyer's departure leaves the strikers without a leader other than local men. In the early stage of the strike C. E. Mahoney, vice president of the Federation, and Guy Miller, Yanco Terzich and John C. Lowney, members of the executive committee, were on the ground, Moyer joined them after his return from an international labor conference in Europe and has been in actual control of the situation several weeks.

The other executive officers of the Federation left the territory about a fortnight ago.

That Moyer's departure was unexpected was evidenced by the fact that he had engagements for tomorrow with several persons.

Refuse Non-Union Aid.

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 26.—Relief workers today were unable to give away one cent of the $25,000 collected for the families stricken by the Christmas eve catastrophe in Italian Hall, in which 72 persons were killed.

Members of every bereaved household that was approached said they had been promised adequate aid by the Western Federation of Miners.

Members of the relief committee selected at yesterday's mass meeting attributed this unprecedented condition to the rumor that the man who started the panic among the striking copper miners' children wore the emblem of the Citizens' Alliance, an organization opposed to continuance of the strike. To combat this sentiment they obtained from Anthony Lucas, prosecuting attorney of Houghton county, a statement that he was satisfied, from the progress of his investigation that the man who raised the cry wore no insignia of any kind.

Despite the evident determination of the stricken families not to accept non-union aid, the committee was not without hope of overcoming the prejudices, and held another meeting tonight to consider plans for getting rid of the fund. Fifty-four families were on the list as needing possible aid and each was visited by a subcommittee. The Federation's members were no less active. The profers of union help was accepted in nearly all cases.

Efforts Meet With Success.

Efforts to establish the identity of the man who started the panic met with some success today. Several persons gave long affidavits to Prosecutor Lucas' investigators and it was hoped that an answer may be made soon. More important in the mind of the local community was the refutation of the report that the miscreant was a "Citizens' Alliance button." Mr. Therese Sizer denied that she had ever said she saw such an insignia when she grasped the man by the shoulders and tried to force him into a seat. Mrs. Louise Lesh, who was marshaling children across the stage in Italian Hall while they were receiving their Christmas gifts, said she head the cry of "fire" repeated thrice in English from the center of the hall, followed by the same voice exclaiming the alarm in Croatan. Herman Bibber thought he saw smoke issuing from the windows and Mrs. Charles Meyers repeated her story of seeing a boy with fire in his wool cap as he was carried from the building.

These accounts were embodied in statements and affidavits collected by the prosecutor. The persons quoted will be subpoenaed as witnesses at the coroner's inquest Monday.

A saloon man whose place is on the first floor of the building in which the catastrophe occurred, told the investigators that only children possessing union cards issued to their fathers were admitted to the ball. With the door thus guarded, it was pointed out, it would have been almost impossible for any one wearing the insignia of a hostile organization to get within the hall.

The relief committee at its night meeting decided to refuse offers of all outside aid. Telegrams proferring assistance came today from many persons throughout the country.

Tentative arrangements of the Calumet local of the Western Federation of Miners to provide for the funeral of victims to be held Sunday afternoon, each nationality holding separate services.

Wilson Takes Action.

Washington, Des. 26.—Secretary of Labor Wilson today ordered John B. Densmore, solicitor of the department to Calumet, Mich., to render any assistance possible in settling the copper strike situation. The Christmas eve tragedy, the secretary said he thought was a matter for State investigation.

In a telegram to President Moyer of the Westeran Federation of Miners Secretary Wilson said it appeared that the tragedy "was not in any way connected with the strike situation."

The request to President Wilson from Mr. Moyer for a federal investigation of circumstances surrounding the catsastrophe was forwarded today to the President at Pass Chrisian, Miss., Secretary Tumulty.

CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY NEAR DALZELL, S. C.

Jacob Dargan is Killed at Negro Wedding.

Dalzell, S. C., Dec. 26.—The first tragedy of the holiday season here occurred out on the farm of George L. Mabry, when Allen China, a negro, shot another negro, Jacsob Dargan. It happened at the house of William Prioleau at a wedding. Words passed between the two and Allen China drew a pistol and shot Jacob Dargan in the heart, killing him instantly. All seemed to be drinking some and enjoying themselves. The sheriff and coroner were phoned for from the residence of Col. J. J. Dargan. China made hise escape into the woods near by and has not been caught yet.

TO INVESTIGATE

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that they have not been thrown out of line by the severe weather to which the ship was subjected. This would cause a slight bend in the shaft, at each revolution which might after several hundred thousand revolutions so exhaust the steel as to cause a fracture.

This inquiry is to be made as thorough as possible with the hope that its results may be of great benefit to the merchant marine as well as the navy if it develops a means of detecting unsoundness in metals by exterior inspection and measurements.

REBEL OFFICERS ABOARD

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to the State authorities. Governor Riveros was elected in 1911 and has been the recognized head of the State of Sinaloa since that time.

Japs Join Mexican Army.

Mexico City, Dec. 26.—Fifty Japanese military officers have requested permission through the Mexican special embassy now in Tokio, to enlist in the service of the Mexican army, according to information at the war office here. The request, it is said, is being given consideration.

It is reported that a five hours skirmish took place today between Federals and followers of Zapata on Capolin mountain, near Ajusco, at the edge of the Federal district. The Federal commander claims that 45 rebels were killed and others dispersed.

Concerned for Foreigners.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The situation of foreigners in Mexico, who have incurred the ill-will of the rebels is again giving some concern to the State Department. Today the Japanese ambassador called upon Acting Secretary Moore to request that the United States do what it can to protect Japanese in border points.

There is some apprehension that these Japanese may be made to feel the weight of resentment by the Constitutionalists because the Federals are receiving supplies of arms and ammunition from Japanese, although it already has been pointed out that these goods are being delivered under contracts made by Japanese merchants last April.

Acting Secretary Moore promised to instruct the American consuls in the rebel country to extend the same care to Japanese as to American persons.

No Alarming Reports.

Vessls of the International fleet off the Pacific coast of Mexico have made visits to most of the important ports during the past few days and no alarming reports have been received from them concerning foreigners. It was said tonight that although provisions may be running short, there is not much likelihood that any Americans are suffering extreme privations. The American Red Cross has aided many Americans in different parts of Sinaloa, but no application has been made for assistance by residents of Topolobampo, rumored to be in distress.

The arrival of the German cruiser Nuernberg at Mazatlan from San Blas was reported in today's consular dispatches. A British gunboat has left Mazatlan for Manzanillo, but is expected to return December 31st. The American cruiser Pittsburg is now at Mazatlan. Officials said today that any of these vessels would extend succor to distressed foreigners in Mexican ports.

According to State Department reports, Gen. Candido Aguillar, the rebel leader, with 700 men, recently entered the Hacienda Canal, owned by the Tampico Navigation Company, and compelled payment of $5.000. Aguillar and his troops are said to be staying at Canahl, requiring the navigation company to feed both the men and horses.

Today's reports said that a large force of revolutionists on the National Railway, 60 miles north of San Luis Potosi, destroyed a Federal convoy train on Thursday, killing 34 Federals. Traffic north of San Luis Potosi is suspended.

May Extend Holiday.

Mexico City, Dec. 26.—The bank holiday decreed by President Huerta to be in effect until January 2nd, probably will be extended beyond that time. A high banking authority today said it was not unlikely that the period will be fixed at 60 days beyond the first of the year. He said also that within that period the banks probably would be relieved from obligations to make any specie payments and that all State bank bills in addition to those recently indicated by the Presidential decree would be made legal tender.

The financial situation, while still panicky, developed no new phases today. The run continued heavy on the Bank of London and Mexico until the closing hour, the withdrawals aggregating close to 19,000 pesos and upwards of $700,000 in gold at current exchange rates. Bankers hold the opinion that this institution is solvent and believe the proposed plan to extend the bank holiday will afford it ample relief.

The rush to exchange State bank bills continued today at the Central bank, but was less pronounced than on previous days.

The government's success in obtaining additional funds from Paris bankers as recently announced is not expected to afford the administration any relief in procuring cash. Those familiar with conditions explained that the loan merely means that bankers who hold securities on which interest is falling due, will accept bonds in lieu of cash, knowing there is no other alternative.

Dispatches from San Louis Potosi tell of fighting north of Montezuma, on the San Louis-Tampico line. Federal troops have left San Luis Potosi for the scene.

March is Progressing.

Juarez, Mexica, Dec. 26.—The rebel march to attack the Federals at Ojinaga was proceeding as fast as the artillery of the rebels would permit, according to reports today. It was thought the rebels would be delayed in going through the canons near Ojinaga.

Louis Estrada, a Federal agent, gave out information at Presidio that the Federals had no intention of remaining at Ojinaga to permit the rebels to attack them. He said they probably would move westward along the Rio Grande toward Juarez. This report was given no credence by the rebels.

For the first time within a year, freight traffic on the Mexican Northwestern was open today from Juarez to the lumber camp at Pearson.

Sailors Have Malaria.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 26.—The United States navy hospital ship Solace arrived here today from Tampico, having on board malaria patients from several American men-of-war. During the recent fighting at Tampico American cutters were compelled to go up the Panuco river to be in closer touch with the operations. The American sailors were forced to fight continually there with malaria bearing mosquitoes.

The rebels, whose base is Victoria, are reported to be a short distance north of Altamira, 23 miles north of Tampico.

REGRET LOSS OF VESSEL.

Danish Research Schooner and All Record Lost.

New York, Dec. 26.—The loss of the Danish research ship Margrethe in the West Indies caused peculiar regret today in the Danish colony. News of the wreck came yesterday from St. Thomas, Danish West Indies.

The Margrethe was equipped and sent out by the Carlsberg-Fondet of Copenhagen, institution endowned by Dr. Carl Jocobsen, a wealthy Danish brewer to promate practical science. The purpose of expedition was to investigate the resources of Danish West indian waters and promote fishereies.

The Margrethe was a schooner of 750 tons. The leader of the scientific work of the expedition was Dr. Johannes Schmidt, director of the physiological department of the Sarlsberg-fondet.

According to the despatch from St. Thomas all aboard the schooner were saved but the records and specifins of the expedition were lost.

SCHOONER SAFE.

Message From Seminole States That Augusta W. Snow in No Trouble

An Associated press dispatch from Washington last night stated that a wireless message from the Seminole to Washington brought the intelligence that the Augusta W. Snow, a schooner reported in distress Thursday, was proceeding on her way to New York and was in no trouble. She is bound to New York from Jacksonville, Fla.

The message to the Seminole here Thursday did not give the name of the vessel and stated that the vessel had lost her rudder. It was feared that in the heavy wind that was blowing she might be driven ashore.

FAIL TO PLEASE LONDON.

American Comedians Forfeit $20,000 Contract

London, Dec 26.—George Monroe and Harry Fisher, the American comedians, who were prominently placed on the new Hippodrome revue, "Hello, Tango," yesterday withdrew from the piece, and announced that they realized their act failed to please, because "our form of humor is more adaptable to the American audiences than the English."

They forfeited a contract for thirty-two weeks, calling for a total of $20,000.

New Yor, Dec. 26.—David L. Fultz president of the Baseball Players Federation, announced that a committee representing the federation would meet the National Commission at Cincinnati on Tuesday, January 6th for a conference on the petition for alterations in the present form of contract between club and player.

—Mr. U. M. Robinson, of New York, is spending the holidays in Wilmington and is being cordially greeted by his hosts of friends here.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Bijou—Motion Pictures.
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Wanted—Furniture.
Wanted—Housekeeper.
Wanted—Young Man.
L. T. New—Country Eggs.
For Sale—Waverly Electric.
Palace Market—Fancy Beef.
C. H. Bornemann—Peas, Etc.
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BUTTER—Strictly high grade, 3 lbs. for 81; sugar, 20 lbs., 81; corn, 3 cans, 25c.; New's pure vinegar, 10c.; fancy apples and Kelfer pears. 'Phone 1938. L. T. New. de27-1t

FOR SUNDAY—Orange, strawberry, chocolate and vanilla ice cream. Pure sweet cream, 50c. quart. A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co.; 'Phone 485. de27-tf

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SEE OUR FANCY lines beef and lamb. Nice dressed chickens, beef, pork and lamb. Cauliflower, lettuce, spinach, celery, grape fruit and oranges. Fresh sauer kraut. Fancy groceries. Pure leaf lard 14c. lb. Country eggs. Palace Market, 108 S. Front street; 'phone 72. de27 tf

NOTICE—Regular meeting of Cape Fear Council, No. 374, U. C. T.'s this afternoon at 3 P. M. Social session at 8 P. M. All members are urgently requested to attend. L. H. Burnett, Sec'y. de27-1t

FOR SALE — My Waverly convertible roadster, fully equipped. New Stock, with charging outfit. Cost, $2,500.00. If interested, will name you the lowest price for the niftiest car ever offered. Can be seen at No. 7 Market street. G. F. Hunt; 'phone 879. A New Year's gift worth while. de27-3t

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WANTED—All kinds of household furniture immediately. Cash pay. Must be reasonable. 'Phone 1972-J. de27-2t

LOST—Silver ring with seal. Lost somewhere on Front street Xmas eve. Finder please leave at Star office. "Ring," care Star. de27-1t*

MECHANICS' HOME Association. Old and strong, opens new series Building and Loan stock, Jan. 3rd, 1914. Subscribe now. Walker Taylor, president; W. M. Cumming, secretary. de23-5t

A PRACTICAL, experienced farmer, capable of assuming entire control of a large farm, wants position for 1914. Address Box 561, Wilmington, N. C. de23,25,27,28-4t*

10 CENTS MILK to everybody. We having made a purchase of several car loads of feed at a very favorable price, we can now sell our patrons, friends, housewives, and the public generally at this price, after their present supply of tickets gives out. Thanking you all for past favors, we solicit your patronage in future. Also sweet cream for Christmas. Best in the city. 'Phone all orders to 1760. Glenwood Dairy Farm. de24,25,27,28-4t

CHEAP LUMBER — We have for quick sale for cash 300,000 feet common dressed sheathing at $11.00 per thousand feet, delivered in quantities of 500 feet up, to any part of the city. Sunset Park, Carolina Heights or Winoca Terrace. Chadbourn Lumber Co.; 'Phone 677. de21-6t

SPECIAL TODAY—Grape Fruit, 5c. each; tangerines, 20c. a dozen; oranges, 15, 20, 25 35 and 50c. a dozen. E. F. Noe. 'Phone 1174-J. 609 Castle street. de17-tf

FOX RIVER BUTTER, 3 lbs. for $1.00; Monogram flour, 35c. bag; lard, 12 and 15 cents. E. F. Noe; 'Phone 1174-J. 609 Castle street. de17-tf

FOR SALE — One of the best grocery stands in Wilmington. Possession at once, or after January 1st. Reason for selling, other business. Kure Bros., 4th and Nun streets. de21-tf

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FOR XMAS PRESENTS see Uncle Charles. A full line of high grade jewelry, comprising diamonds, watches, bracelets, mesh bags, cuff links, etc. Our prices are right. 16 So. Front street; 'phone 642. de19-tf

THIS COLUMN is more eagerly scanned each morning by Wilmington men and women than is the most engaging piece of news, local or otherwise, in any part of the paper. You're the loser if your announcement is not found here. One cent a word; minimum charge, 25c. Cash to accompany all orders. oc15-tf

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FOR RENT—Commodious room, with two single beds, suitable for gentlemen, near bath room. Also nicely furnished bed room for gentleman or couple. Block from Postoffice. 'Phone 773. No. 216 North Second street. no30-tf

FOR SALE—One perfectly sound horse. Or will exchange for larger horse. Also want to buy a good cheap buggy. Chas. C. Hopkins, 18 South Front street. no26-tf

THE GILBERT HOUSE combines home comforts with hotel conveniences. Front and Princess streets, junction of all cars. Cars to depot. Electric lights and hot water. Table equals the best and rates reasonable. Rates to regular and table boarders. A. M. Gilbert, Prop. no6-tf

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Diaries and Year Books for 1914.

Turner's North Carolina Almanac.

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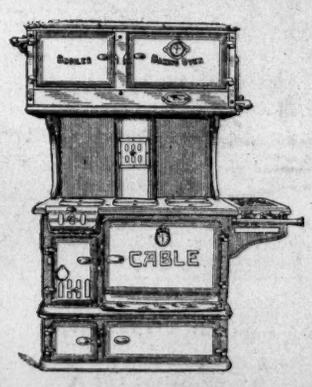

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